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JAP PLANES BOMB MANIPUR AND CACHAR AREAS

Enemy Continue Pressure On Imphal: Allies Repulse Attack On Tamu-Palel Road

SHILLONG, April 6.

"Cachar and Manipur areas were raided by a ver small number of aircraft on the evening of April 3", says a Press Note issued by the Assam Government.

It adds that only a few bombs were dropped, but there were no casualties. The damage to a few huts was insignificant and the morale of the people there was good.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS COMMUNIQUE

NEW DELHI, April 6: North of Buthidaung, an enemy counter-attack on the 5th April on one of our positions was repulsed South of that village, the enemy still offers resistance to our advance. Elsewhere on the Arakan Front, there was no important activity, says a communique from Allied Headquarters, South-East Asia command, today.

On the Assam front, the Japanese continue to exert pressure north of Imphal. Successful ambushes in which casualties were inflicted on the Japanese were laid on the roads both north and south of Imphal

A small attack against a position on the Palel-Tamu road was repulsed with loss to the enemy.

Among equipment captured on the Tiddim-Imphal road were the sword and medals of the Commander of the Japanese attacking force.

CHINESE SUCCESS

Chinese troops driving the Japanese south in the Upper Mogaung valley have captured Maraingan Tawng and Mihoigar Tawng. They are in contact with the enemy and are advancing on Wakawng. A strong Japanese position is being eliminated near the confluence of Hpalu Hka and Kathan Hka. Chinese units which crossed Hpadu Hka under fire south-east of Laban have advanced south in contact with the enemy.

On the Sumprabum-Myitkyina road, Kachin levies advancing southward have reached the Tiang Hka.

COMMANDOS DO IT

In a strike against Aungban airfield in Central Burma on April 4, the Air Commando Force of the Tactical Air Force in six minutes destroyed twenty-four enemy aircraft on the ground, probably destroyed two and damaged eight others.

Not one of our aircraft was lost. One Japanese fighter was destroyed in air combat. The Commando force also shot up "ack-ack" positions and buildings north-west of the airfield.

One enemy bomber was also destroyed at Anisakan airfield.

Next day when fighters returned to the scene of the attack, Aungbaw airfield appeared almost completely burnt out. Two enemy aircraft on the runway were machine-gunned.

Heavy bombers of the Strategic Air Force on the night of April 4/5 attacked Japanese headquarters and transit camp at Nagorn Sawarn. Fires were visible twenty miles away after the bombing. Other heavy bombers made a well-concentrated attack the same night on railway yards and jetties at Moulmein.

Fighters of the Tactical Air Force on the night of April 4/5 and in daylight on April 5th were active over the Arakan, Mayu and Kaladan areas silencing machine-gun posts, setting buildings in flames and starting one large oil fire. R.A.F. and I.A.F. dive-bombers also attacked targets in these areas. On April 4/5, communications, enemy positions, enemy occupied villages, tanks, and motor transport were among objectives of dive-bombers, fighter-bombers and fighters operating over the Chindwin, Chin Hills, Naga Hills and North-west Burma.

Medium and fighter bombers were active on April 4 over North Burma and long-range fighters on the night of April 4/5 and in daylight on April 5 maintained an offensive against communications in South Burma. They attacked and hit one 200-ton vessel.

Three Allied aircraft are missing.

JAPS FAIL IN ATTEMPT TO ANNIHILATE SEVENTEENTH DIVISION

Part of the Japanese plan in the Chin hills offensive was to cut off and annihilate the 17th Division who, led by Maj-Gen. David Tennant Gowan, was fighting its way north from Tiddim. The enemy's Chin hills forces split into two, crossed the Manipur river to the south of Tiddim and drove into the hills to the north through Paidim.

Their object was to cut the road, which they did in several places, and isolate the 17th Division. In this they failed. The Seventeenth drew in its horns and, after three weeks, is still fighting its way northwards towards Imphal, wiping out Japanese strong points on the way

Throughout this long fight the division has been maintained by air and it has saved and evacuated 80 to 90 per cent of its transport. Its casualties are now being brought out by air, but they are very much smaller than the number inflicted.

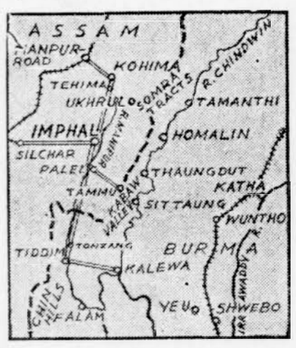
This Division claims a high percentage of some 3,000 Japanese killed during the present operation.

JAPS CONSOLIDATE

Further to the north the enemy is consolidating his positions on the Imphal-Kohima road and to the east and immediately west of the road.

Gradually the force is trying to extend the 15-mile stretch of the road occupied both northwards and southwards, but he is meeting with little success.

His plans are still obscure and day by day his chances of fulfilling his boast of capturing Imphal and Kohima grow more remote as the rains approach. If the enemy want to achieve anything in this offensive, he will have to move quickly. If he cannot capture the whole of the roads he will have to get out for lack of supplies. His obvious alternative is to swing round to the north of Kohima and try to reach and damage the Manipur road railhead.



JAPS MAY NOT ATTACK IMPHAL

(From D. F. KARAKA, "Chronicle" War Correspondent)

ADVANCE BASE, April 6.

I believe that Imphal will gradually fade out of the limelight. In spite of the protestations of Tokyo Radio, the Jap will dare not to come out into the plain to tackle it. Content with having cut the Imphal-Dimapur Road, the Jap will probably turn his attention elsewhere.

From the point of view of any westward drive, Imphal is more or less a dead-end in view of the high mountain ridges west of it.

In spite of the lull around Imphal Jap activities north-east of Imphal appear alive Although the Dimapur-Imphal Road has been infiltrated upon we still retain a line of communication by road to Stilwell's forces in the north via the railhead at Dimapur.

"Fighting Withdrawal To Imphal"

IMPHAL FRONT, April 3.

The Seventeenth Indian Division has won a grand obstacle race, scoring 1,800 points against the enemy—each point representing a Jap dead or wounded. The course was the 160-mile Tiddim-Imphal road, the obstacles those laid by the Japanese in the shape of road blocks, and the time 21 days—a well-nigh record, writes D. R. Mankekar, the A.P.I. war correspondent.

The operation started on the evening of March 13 when the General commanding the Division on orders from above began a fighting withdrawal to Imphal, following a flanking Japanese attack around Tiddim.

The epic story of the division that literally hacked its way through the enemy according to a pre-arranged plan began towards the end of the first week of March when the Japanese division sent forces to attack Kennedy Peal in the Tiddim area.

When it decided on the withdrawal operation the Seventeenth Indian Division had a 60 mile frontage and 60-mile long lines of communications to protect, besides having to move all its troops. 2,000 vehicles and 4,000 animals

It is a significant fact that throughout this lengthy operation, our forces, though ostensibly withdrawing, were on top and kept the enemy on the defensive all along. The Japanese Division was completely defeated in its objective of bottling up and "annihilating" the Seventeenth Indian Division.

JAP THREAT TO IMPHAL

How Far Is Enemy From Manipur Capital

IMPHAL FRONT April 6.

From D. R. Mankekar, A. P. I. war correspondent:

Imphal is today like an octopus slowly but surely drawing in its spreadout tentacles to leap on the enemy. The triumphant march of the Seventeenth Indian Division through the 160-mile roadblock—infested riddim way is a portent of coming events or this front while it marks the end of one phase in the present operations We may not now much longer wait for the enemy to come down into the Imphal plain but may rather soon step forward and seek the enemy out in his mountain lair.

While the situation down Tiddim road is liquidating itself, activity in the north and north-east of Imphal seems to be alive In these two sectors the enemy is gingerly pawing forward and is less than ten miles away.

North-east on the Ukhrul road Indian troops in the early hours of this morning ambushed a Jap force only eight miles from here and the engagement is still on at the time of writing after nearly 15 hours.

Exactly north of here on top of a 5,000 feet high mountain feature which I can discern in the distance in front of me, a fierce clash occurred between a Sikh patrol and the enemy and it is still going on The whole of to-day my tent has been reverberating to the booming of our medium guns shelling enemy positions.

Further north the threat to Kohima continues as the enemy moves towards it from Jessame, 50 miles east of Kohima.

JAPS WEST OF MANIPUR ROAD

For the first time yesterday the enemy was reported on the west side of the Manipur road.

With Japanese forces massing in the Naga hills, east of the Manipur Road roughly on the 30-mile stretch between Kohima and Imphal and with the liquidation of the Tiddim sector in the south, the centre of gravity of this front has completely shifted to the north of Imphal. While in the south and south-east the enemy is nearly 40 miles away from Imphal, in the north and north-east he is sitting on the fringe of the Imphal plain, contemplating the great green valley before him It is from here, if ever, that the threat to Imphal should come.

Japanese plans, however, of taking Imphal from the South about which he boasted so much have been scattered to the winds by the Seventeenth Indian Division and now it looks as though the enemy is shearing his ambition here to "recapture" Burmese territory and sitting on the Indo-Burma border.—A.P.

JAPS HAVE STRETCHED OUT THEIR NECKS

We Will Strike Their Head Says Col. Edwards

CALCUTTA, April 6.

"During the last fortnight the enemy have attempted to develop their trans-Chindwin Chin Hills offensive almost exactly as it was anticipated they would", said Lt.-Col. A. R. G. M. Edwards, Broadcasting from Calcutta a review of "the Fourteenth Army in action."

The enemy trans-Chindwin thrust might well, in actual fact, prove to be entirely to our benefit, said Col. Edwards. Whereas previously we were faced with the necessity of moving forward through most difficult, tiring country and fighting the enemy at the end of long and hazardous lines of communications, the Japanese had now conveniently stretched out their neck, supported weakly and indifferently upon hazardous life lines, and presented their head for us to strike. It would be struck.

"During the past few days the enemy have continued to build up their strength in the Kohima area and operations against the real objectives of the Japanese thrust must now be expected. The enemy propagandists avow that one of these is Imphal and it is probable that another is the investment of Kohima.

Meanwhile, the situation now is that whilst the Japanese efforts on the Tiddim and Tamu Roads are under control, the enemy continue to develop their treat upon the Imphal-Kohima area."

Concluding, Col. Edwards said that in general the situation might be said to be reasonably satisfactory. The 14th Army forces deep in Burma continue to play havoc in the enemy's rear; the Allied successes in northern Burma increase; in the Arakan we have made further limited advances.

VICEROY TOURS EAST BENGAL

CALCUTTA, April 6.—Their Excellencies the Viceroy and Lady Wavell arrived in Calcutta this evening after a three-day tour of East Bengal when they visited Chittagong, Cox's Bazaar and Comilla They were accompanied on their tour by His Excellency the Governor of Bengal and Mrs Casey.

FAST TO PROTEST AGAINST STUDENT DISMISSAL

Bombay, Thursday

To protest against the action of the authorities of the C. V. O. Jain Boarding Mandvi, in serving a notice of dismissal on a student said to be popular, most of the boarders have declared a sympathetic fast.

Explosion In Running Train

Two Passengers Killed And Six Injured

JHANSI, April 5.—An explosion occurred between Jhansi and Gwalior in a third class compartment in the Down Punjab Mail, when it was nearing Setholi station, 25 miles from here It is learned that one of the passengers threw a lighted cigarette on a box belonging to a Punjabi passenger, which apparently contained explosive. It burst with a terrific noise and fragments hit the passengers killing two and injuring nearly six others

The train was stopped for an hour and the killed and injured persons were taken to Gwalior

It is understood that one arrest has been made in this connection—A.P.

PLANE CRASH IN U. P. VILLAGE

All Occupants Killed In American Aircraft Mishap

BENARES, April 3: An American aeroplane crashed near Madhuben, Tehsil Ghosi, district Azamgarh on March 30, according to a report received here. The accident is attributed to engine trouble. All the occupants of the machine were killed.

R. A. F. BOMBS TOULOUSE

LONDON, April 6. R. A. F. Lancasters last night attacked air repair plants in use by the Germans at Toulouse. One bomber is missing, states the Air Ministry.

Toulouse, which is a big industrial and railway centre on river Garonne, was one of the 36 French towns warned by the B.B.C. of impending Allied air attacks.

The Vichy radio to-day said that Allied bombers damaged a number of houses, killing 11 and injuring 45.

Red Army's Threat To Rumanian Oil Port

MOSCOW, April 6.

Special dispatch from Reuter's special correspondent.

With the end of the German-Rumanian occupation of the great Black Sea Port of Odessa in sight the strategic situation in the Black Sea has changed in favour of the Russians.

The port is already practically useless as a major German sea base and the whole north-west corner of the Black Sea is almost cleared of the Germans. Inside the Crimea the Germans are becoming increasingly isolated The rapid Russian advance through Moldavia towards the mouth of the Danube and Galatz also possesses major significance. The Rumanian port of Constanza is now coming into the war zone for the first time. Linked with Ploesti by rail and pipeline Constanza is especially important to the Germans for its oil refining plants and the big stores of petrol they have built up there.

According to the Soviet newspaper "Red Fleet" this threat to Constanza may force the Germans to transfer their sea operational base to one of the Bulgarian ports and to transform Bulgaria into a bridgehead from which they can direct operations against the Soviet Union.—Reuter.

DR. PASSIKIVI STILL IN FINLAND

STOCKHOLM, April 5.

The Finnish Minister, M. Vaino Tanner, tonight denied that Juho Passikivi had again gone to Moscow. He stated that Dr. Passikivi was still in Finland, according to the Helsinki correspondent of the Scandinavian Telegraph Bureau.—Reuter.

Ribbentrop Replies To Molotov's Statement

LONDON, April 6.

Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, replied to-day to the Soviet Foreign Commissar Molotov's statement on Rumania.

In an interview with a representative of the Rumanian News Agency von Ribbentrop said. "We have not abandoned Berlin in the face of the heaviest Anglo-American raids. In the same dogged way we shall defend Rumania."—Reuter.

Goebbels Sees The Truth

LONDON, April 5.

The German radio today quoted a speech by the Propaganda Minister Josef Goebbels to a meeting of German Bankers in Berlin in which he said: "The test trial through which our Nation passes today is at least as grave as the one to which it was exposed in 1918 Today however, the German people know that if they fail in this war extinction threatens them."—Reuter.

BANGALORE, April 4: The Women's Auxiliary Corps, India, are celebrating their second anniversary on the 9th instant. There will be a parade of the Bangalore Company of W.A.C. (I) on that day near the King's Statue (Cubbon Park) Bangalore.

STOP PRESS

ROUSSOS TO FORM NEW GR. GOVT.

CAIRO, April 6—The Hellenic Information Bureau in Cairo announced that following M. Sophocles Venizelos' refusal, the Greek Cabinet has now advised the King of the Helenes immediately to instruct M Georges Roussos to form a new Government —Reuter.

ARTILLERY DAY IN ITALY

Forty Nazi Aircraft Destroyed For Loss Of Twelve Heavy Bombers

LONDON, April 6.

The Mediterranean Allied Force Advance Headquarters To-day's Allied communique states: "Our patrols inflicted casualties on the enemy Both our artillery and that of the enemy were active in Cassino and Tyrrhenian Sea sectors of the main front.

Heavy bombers of the Strategic air force yesterday bombed railyards and oil refinery at Ploesti Railyards at Nish and Leskovac were also attacked Fighter bombers attacked railroad stations at Colleterro, Frosinone and Terracina, and dock installations at Formia During the night of April 4/5 attacks were made on shipping between Piombino and Civita Vecchia, and in the port of San Stefano

NAZI COMMUNICATIONS DISLOCATED

All the five railway lines down Italy supplying the German front have been dislocated since the Allied bombing began forcing the Germans to marshal their supplies in the extreme north of Italy. Transhipment by road or sea between rail routes is now the only method left to them.

INDIAN DIVISION EARNS DECORATIONS

Headquarters of the Eighth Indian Division 4/4:—Lt-Gen R. W Allfrey to-day pinned decorations on men of the 8th Indian Division who have distinguished themselves in the fighting in Italy. Recipients of the awards comprising both British and Indian officers and men numbered over 80, writes an Indian Army observer. Gen. Allfrey addressing the parade said that the Eighth Indian Division had done some extremely strenuous and successful fighting in Italy.—Reuter.

Treatment Of Minorities

Punjab Premier's Claim Disputed

LAHORE, April 6.

The Punjab Premier's claim, made at a public meeting held in observance of Pakistan Day on March 23, that the minorities are being generously treated in the Muslim majority provinces, especially the Punjab, has come in for strong criticism in a joint statement issued by Raja Narendra Nath, Bakshi Sir Tekchand, Sir Gokul Chand Narang, Captain Keshub Chander, Goswami Ganesh Dutt, Mahashe Khushal Chand and Rai Bahadur Durga Dass:

"It is a matter of regret that the Premier should have made such an amazing claim", say the signatories. "The minorities in the Punjab have been the greater sufferers since the Reforms Scheme came in force in 1921 and especially since the present Government was established in 1937.

"Many legislative measures have been adopted which have harmed the interests of the Minorities. Properties which had long been in their possession have been taken away from them.

"In the matter of the services, the pernicious principle of fixing communal proportions has been adopted.

"Complete disregard is being shown to the religious susceptibilities of the Hindus and Sikhs.

"In the Legislative Assembly, the Opposition is being suppressed and gagged in every way. A large number of Opposition members being shut up in jails, the voice of those left behind is sought to be drowned on every occasion.

"In the light of this record of the present Government, it is adding insult to injury to say as the Premier has said that the Ministry has meted out "generous treatment" to the minorities in the Punjab."—A.P.

"She Defends Her Country"

Mr. S. A. Brelvi, President, Friends of the Soviet Union Bombay, will welcome delegates, Reception Committee members and distinguished visitors to the All-India Women's Conference, who have been invited to see the Soviet film "She Defends Her Country", to be shown at the Roxy, Charni Road, on Friday the 7th April, from 10 to 11-30 a.m Delegates and members of the Reception Committee. A.-I. W.C., will kindly get the details from the Secretaries of the Reception Committee.

LUCKNOW: The U. P. Provincial Hindu Mahasabha Conference, which was to have been held at Gorakhpur on April 9 and 10, has been postponed to a date in May next.

INDIA TO FACE SHORTAGE IN FOOD GRAINS?

Amery On Efforts Of Central And Provincial Governments To Meet Situation

LONDON, April 6.

Mr. Amery replying in the Commons today to a question by Mr. Sorensen (Labour) who wanted to know if adequate preparations had been made to avoid the possibility of a recurrence of grave food shortage and famine in India, began by outlining the causes of last year's famine.

Mr. Amery said: "Although rice will be in short supply in Malabar the Deccan and Bombay no serious shortage is anticipated but the millet and wheat crops have been affected by disease and unseasonable rains and are disappointing The situation depends largely on what proportion of crops the Government of India can procure and distribute'

Regarding the All-India situation the implementing of the recommendations of the Foodgrains Policy Committee's report was part of the ordinary duty of the Food Departments of both Central and Provincial Governments. The arrangements for procurement and distribution of food grains throughout India were under constant review by the Central Government Particular attention was directed to Bengal.

The Government of India's contribution to schemes for increasing output amounted to about two and a half crores of rupees in loans and one and a half crores in grants Mr Amery added: "The policy of giving such help will continue but despite the best efforts of the Government of India and Provincial Governments *the Government of India do not consider that the total amount of foodgrains raised in the country provide an absolutely safe margin for meeting India's full requirements.*

If the weather conditions are untavourable during the periods of growth of the food crops, shortages of food for the country as a whole are not beyond the bounds of possibility.

ACREAGE TARGET

Targets of acreage fixed for the year 1943-44 were rice 77.1, millet 38.2 and wheat 28.5 million acres. It is not likely that in the next two years there will be any increase on this target, which has deliberately been fixed high in order to stimulate effort all round".

'News Chronicle' Commentator Forecasts Departure Of Amery

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, April 6

Mr. A. J. Cummings who made a reference to the report of exit of Mr. Anthony Eden from the Foreign Office, believes that the forthcoming Government changes will include the long-awaited departure of Mr Amery who is regarded as having lost the confidence of his constituency

'QUAKE ROCKS ISTANBUL

ISTANBUL, April 6: Violent earthquake shocks were felt throughout Istanbul at 07.45 hours today.

The Observatory here states that the epicentre was about 100 miles away in the Balikisri area of Anatolia.

The damage is presumed to be considerable.

GR. KING ACCEPTS RESIGNATION

LONDON, April 6.—The King of the Hellenes has accepted the resignation of the Tsouderos Government and is about to leave for Cairo. Meantime he has entrusted M Sophocles Venizellos with the Premiership

VENIZELOS WON'T FORM CABINET

CAIRO, April 6 -M Sophocles Venizelos issued a statement to-day saying that owing to the development of the political situation and delay in the reply of the King of the Hellenes, he had decided not to undertake the formation of Government even if entrusted with the task.—

A Cairo message dated Wednesday said:—

The entire Greek Government has submitted its resignation to King George of Greece, it is officially announced to-night.

The Greek Government issued the following statement to-night:—

"The Greek Cabinet met this morning and unanimously decided to recommend to the King the appointment of M. Venizelos as Prime Minister. There are reasons to believe that His Majesty will accept this advice."

DELHI SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL ARRESTED

NEW DELHI, April 6.

The Special staff of the local C. I. D. Police arrested Mr. Jaychand Tandon, Superintendent, External Affairs Department, Government of India, Sheoprasad Jain, Store Keeper, Red Fort Mirza Ashanjhan, Assistant Librarian Government of India Secretarial Library, Section 62 read with 114 I.P.C. and under Suversife Activities Ordinance for being instrumental in payment of illegal gratification to get a military officer trnasferred from Meerut to Lahore. All the three accused were produced before the Additional District Magistrate who rejected bail applications preferred on their behalf.

Mr Khushalsingh, Contractor, New Delhi and Bhagwansingh a clerk in the war department were earlier arrested in this connection.

The prosecution alleged that Ramswar Goel, Contractor, Meerut, who is also an accused under the Defence of India Rules and Section 3 of the above Ordinance with the help of the other accused managed to get Major Oldfield transferred from Meerut to Lahore Base Supply Depot. Mr. Goel is alleged to have paid Rs. 1,500 to a senior officer through Bhagwansingh to get the transfer of Major Oldfield done.—United Press.

Jammu Firing Enquiry

Disciplinary Action Against Police Officials

JAMMU, April 6: The dismissal of an Assistant Superintendent of Police and a Head Constable severe censure of the District Magistrate, the Senior Superintendent of Police and the Superintendent of Police and an expression of displeasure "at the combination of miscalculation and ap thy displayed by the late Revenue Minister in the matter" are the important features of the orders passed by the Maharaja on the report of the Enquiry Committee appointed by him to enquire into the Jammu disturbances and firing in September last.

The Maharaja has sanctioned compensation to the extent of Rs. 36,105/- for the injured and the dependants of the dead. His Highness has ordered that any leave or leave salary due to the late Revenue Minister is forfeited.—United Press.

PATHAN PEASANT FINDS ALEXANDER'S STATUE

PESHAWAR, April 6: A Greek statue and some gold coins were discovered in Bajaur trans-border territory by a Pathan cultivator, while tilling his fields, according to a report received here.

It is believed that the statue resembles Alexander the Great who came to India through the Malakand Pass.—A. P.

CHUNGKING, April 5.

A communique from General Joseph Stilwell's headquarters today said that the Fourteenth Air Force Lightning destroyed two large petrol dumps at Kentung in Burma while Warhawks sank four small boats on the Red river in Indo-China. Other fighters sweeping along the Yangtse strafed damaged two river-boats near Ichang.—Reuter.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MAY)

New York, April 6.

Previous closing	20.83
To-day's opening	20.83
Difference	Nil
To-day's closing	20.91
Difference	+.08

The New York Cotton Market will remain closed on Friday and Saturday.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, April 6.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:

General Motors dol 57 3/4

Anaconda Copper Mining dol 26

United States Steel Common unquoted.

United States Steel Preference unquoted.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, April 6.

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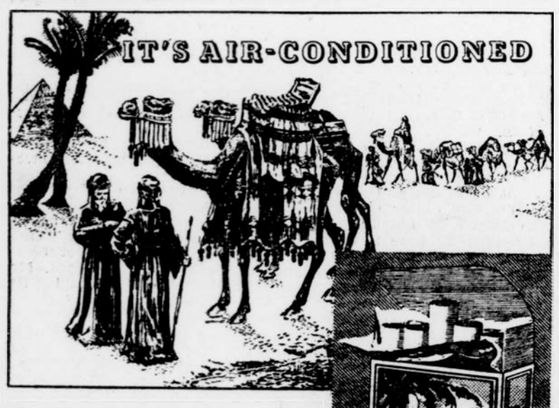

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Bombay Rent Restriction Order

Clauses Which Protect Tenants From Ejectment Held "Ultra Vires" By High Court

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice Mr. Justice Kania and Mr. Justice Divatia).

Haveliram Shetty ..... Appellant (Original Defendant).
Versus.
1. The Maharaja of Morvi (Original ..... Plaintiff).
2. The Governor-General-in-Council.
3. The Province of Bombay Respondents.

Dismissing the appeal, the Full Bench held that the clauses of the Bombay Rent Restriction Order 1942 which protect tenants from ejectment were 'ultra vires' the powers of the Provincial Government. Their Lordships ordered the appellant-tenant to vacate the premises by 6th July.

The appellant was a tenant of the respondent's property known as Waterloo Mansions at Mayo Road. On 25th September 1943 the Rent Controller issued a certificate under the proviso to Clause 8 of the Bombay Rent Restriction Order 1942 to the effect that the premises occupied by the appellant were reasonably and 'bona fide' required by the respondent-Maharaja for his own use and occupation.

On behalf of the appellant it was contended that this proviso to Clause 8 which debarred the Courts from questioning the validity of the controller's certificate was 'ultra vires' the Provincial Government.

The Central Government as well as the Government of Bombay were added as party respondents and the matter referred to a Full Bench.

Counsel for the appellant argued that under Rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules the Government of Bombay had the power to provide by the Rent Restriction Order for controlling rents and preventing unreasonable eviction but that in delegating to the Controller the power to issue a certificate which was conclusive as to the reasonableness or otherwise of the eviction it had given to that officer a power to legislate and had also ousted the jurisdiction of courts of law.

Counsel for the respondent-Maharaja contended that the proviso to clause 8 not being severable, the whole clause was bad and the landlord was entitled to eject the appellant under the ordinary law. It was further argued that Section 2 (1) of the Defence of India Act and Rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules were 'ultra vires' the Government of India Act 1935 under which the power to alter or amend existing laws like the Transfer of Property Act and the Indian Contract Act, as the Bombay Rent Restriction Order did, could not be delegated to an executive authority viz the Bombay Government, as distinguished from a legislative body.

JUDGMENT

Delivering separate but concurring judgments, Their Lordship held that the functions delegated to the Controller were judicial in nature and ousted the jurisdiction of the Courts and that therefore the proviso to clause 8 of the Rent Restriction Order was bad as infringing the provisions of Section 14 of the Defence of India Act which expressly preserved in fact the jurisdiction of Courts. Their Lordships were, however, of opinion that to sever the proviso from the main part of Clause 8 would amount to making a new law and therefore held that the whole of clause 8 was vitiated, and in so far as clauses 9 and 12 of the Rent Restriction Order followed upon clause 8 they were also bad as infringing Section 14 of the Defence of India Act.

Following the decision of the Federal Court in Shibnath Banerji's case (6 Fed. L. J. 151) which was binding on this Court, Their Lordships held that Section 2 (1) of the Defence of India Act and Rule 81 of the Rules made under it were valid.

Their Lordships therefore passed a decree in ejectment as prayed by the landlord but made no Order as to the costs of this appeal.

A certificate for an appeal to the Federal Court was refused as in Their Lordships' opinion the case did not involve a question of the construction of the Government of India Act, 1935.

Mr. V. F. Taraporewala and Mr. M. M. Desai instructed by Messrs. Ambubhai and Diwanji appeared for the appellant.

Mr. M. L. Maneksha, Mr. I. G. Thakore and Mr. Baxi instructed by Messrs. Merwanji Kola and Co., appeared for the respondent-Maharaja.

Mr. M. C. Setalvad and Mr. G. N. Joshi instructed by the Solicitor to the Central Government appeared for the Government of India.

The Advocate-General, Mr. N. P. Engineer and Mr. R. J. Kolah instructed by Messrs. Little and Co., appeared for the Government of Bombay.

Anti-Indian Regulations In Kenya

GOVT. ACCEPT ELDERS' RESOLUTION URGING IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL

NEW DELHI, April 6.

The Council of State to-day passed Mr. P. N. Sapru's resolution recommending immediate steps to secure the withdrawal of regulations having the effect of restricting the entry of Indian Immigrants into Kenya which came into force recently.

Mr. R. N. Bannerjee, Commonwealth Relations Secretary, accepted the resolution on behalf of the Government, and said they had received the categorical assurance from the Governments of Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika that the regulations were purely temporary and would be terminated with other wartime regulations and that they would be applied to all non-native immigrants without any distinction whatsoever. With regard to the provision prohibiting reentry of persons who had been away for more than two years, the Government of India had had the assurance that this part of the regulations would not be enforced rigidly, but due allowance would be made to the circumstances of each particular case.

Pandit Kunzru, Mr. Hossain Imam, Mr. Kalikkar and Mr. Sapru in the course of their speeches urged the need, which they said had been shown by the circumstances of this regulation, for the appointment of a diplomatic representative for India in East Africa. Mr. Bannerjee pointed out that Indian residents in East Africa apparently felt strong enough to safeguard their interests and were not anxious to have an agent, but in view of the strong feeling expressed in the country, the Government of India would take up the matter.

Mr. P. N Sapru, moving the resolution, pointed out that while there was no formal statutory discrimination in the regulations against Indians, it was a subtle type of administrative discrimination. Nearly 10,000 Indians had left the East African Colonies when the war broke out. They had offered to do war work, but had been told they could best help the war by either going into the interior or back to India. The provision in the restriction regulations prohibiting re-entry of persons who had been absent for more than two years would affect these large numbers of Indians who had their property and homes in the colonies. Mr. Sapru contended that the two reasons advanced for these new regulations, viz., shortage of food supplies and shortage of housing accommodation, were untenable. Mr. Sapru recalled that these colonies were mandated territories directly administered by His Majesty's Government and therefore they could not interfere. It was a sad commentary on the professions of the United Nations and British statesmen that at a time when Indian soldiers had made heavy sacrifices in Africa and other theatres of war, Indian nationals should be treated unfairly in the colonies in Africa.

Mr. R. N. Bannerjee said these regulations would have to be enacted from year to year and if and when these Governments wanted to place them permanently on the statute book, they would have to undertake fresh legislation. The Government of India would thus have a clear opportunity to resist any effort to make them permanent. Meanwhile, the Government of India were addressing the three Governments immediately for still further clarification of the position, and he assured the House that Government would pursue the matter with the utmost vigour and vigilance. He further assured the House that all possible action would be taken to ensure that the restrictions were withdrawn as soon as such justification as there might be for them disappeared. He accepted the resolution.

Mr. Padshah welcomed Government's efforts in the matter, but thought that the restrictions were par of a conspiracy on the Indian element.

Mr. Hoosain Imam pleaded that the Government of India should take in account the case of dependents along with immigrants, for it was only natural that permanent residents would like to have their families and dependents with them when they went back.

Mr. V. V. Kalikar urged the Government to give effect to the Reciprocity Act, so that Indian nationals in Kenya and other parts of Africa might know that India was also taking strong action in such matters. He thought this might have a good effect in ensuring fair treatment to Indian nationals in Kenya and other parts of Africa.

PLEA FOR GOVT. AGENT

Pandit Hridayanath Kunzru observed that even if it was granted that the restrictions were necessary in war time, it had yet to be shown that the needs of the situation required that people who had been away from the colony for more than two years should not be allowed to go back. The manner in which the Government of India had acted had shown that they were not in a position to obtain the views of the Indian community in East Africa on the matter, and Pandit Kunzru suggested that they should have some regular channel for information bearing on Indian interests in East Africa. There should, he added, be an Agent of the Government of India in East Africa to deal with these matters.

Mr. P. N. Sapru, winding up the debate, reiterated the demand for the appointment of an Indian Agent in East Africa and emphasised that permanent residents should be allowed to go back to their homes without any restriction.

The House passed the resolution.

The House rejected by 22 votes to four Mr. Hossain Imam's resolution recommending that the share of Muslims in Central Services be increased to 30 per cent of the total, direct recruitment and promotions being combined.

The Council passed Mr. Khurshid Ali Khan's Bill to amend the Delhi Muslim Wakfs Act, and the official bills to extend Tariff Protection to certain commodities and amend the Factories Act.

DEBATE ON U.N.R.R.A.

Resuming discussion on Mr. Sukhtankar's motion moved yesterday, approving the U.N.R.R.A. agreement Mr P N Sapru gave his support to India's participation in the scheme but urged that the vote of the Indian Legislature should prevail in the matter of selecting representatives.

Mr. Hoosain Imam giving his 'lukewarm support' to the resolution said that discrimination between the Whites and the Browns was practised under the guise of this agreement. Mr. Imam said India was not in a position to pay the one per cent of her National income as a contribution and he suggested one per cent of the Central Government's revenues instead.

COMMERCE MEMBER'S REPLY

The Commerce Member, Sir Azzizul Haque, winding up the debate, said there seemed to have been some misunderstanding about the scope of the U.N.R.R.A. It was not intended to provide relief to areas affected by war conditions, but its object was to give relief to those areas which would be liberated by Allied forces either by conquest or by the retreat of the enemy. It could not be said that India was such a country but, the Commerce Member pointed out, India's peculiar circumstances, her poverty, famine and conditions created by the war such as inflation, had all been brought to the notice of the participating countries by Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, India's representative both formally and informally.

The House passed the motion and adjourned 'sine die'.—A. P.

IMPORTING RICE THROUGH POSTAL BAGS?

SHOLAPUR, April 5: A mail sorter who is serving in the Nizam State Mail Service has been arrested for, it is alleged, importing rice in the rationed area through postal bags. It is stated that some days back when a search was made at the Sholapur railway station the police found in the postal bags quantities of rice considered to be more than for his personal requirements.—United Press.

CUT OUT R AND KEEP

EXPORT AND IMPORT BANS

The recent advertisement giving a list of articles whose export from and import into (1) Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District and (2) Bombay Province is banned by the Government except under a licence contained one or two omissions. The list brought up-to-date is given below:

BOMBAY CITY AND THE BOMBAY SUBURBAN DISTRICT.		BOMBAY PROVINCE.
EXPORT.	IMPORT.	EXPORT.
1. Jowar; Jowar flour.	1. Wheat; Wheat products (including atta, maida, rava, soji and bran).	1. Wheat
2. Bajri; Bajri flour.	2. Rice; Rice flour and rice in husk.	2. Rice.
3. Rice; Paddy; Rice products.	3. Jowar; Jowar flour.	3. Jowar.
4. Wheat; Wheat flour; atta; maida; rava, soji; bran; and any other wheat products.	4. Bajri; Bajri flour.	4. Bajri.
5. Barley; Barley in husk, Barley flour; Barley Bran.	5. Baker's bread or loaf.	5. Pulses.
6. Baker's bread or loaf.	6. Barley, Barley in husk, Barley flour and Barley Bran.	6. Barley.
7. Maize and Maize products.	7. Sugar.	7. Maize.
8 Gram; Gramdal and Gram flour.	8 Cotton.	8. Ragi.
9. Tur; Turdal.	9. Hay (By rail from Thana and Surat Districts).	9. Cotton including cotton seeds (i.e. unginned cotton).
10. All pulses (whole and splits) and their products. (i.e. kurma, chuni and chhalla).		10. Sugar.
11. Foodstuffs (By sea only).		11. Gur. (Except to Gujarat States, the Deccan States, the States of Idar, Radhanpur and Vijayanagar and Portuguese Settlements in India).
12. Sugar.		12. Groundnuts (in shell) and Groundnut seeds.
13. Gur.		13. Vegetable oil cakes.
14. Hay.		14. Cocoanut oil.
15. Cotton Seeds.		15. Charcoal.
16. Cocoanut oil.		16. Wood fuel.
17. Copra (By sea only).		17. Tea.
18. Charcoal.		18. Groundnut oil.
19. Kerosene.		19. Ghee.
20. Matches.		20. Cotton seeds.
21. Tea.		21. Onions.
22. Potatoes.		22. Waste paper, paper cuttings, rags, Hemp or Jute.
23. Cotton piece-goods; silk piece-goods, artificial silk piece-goods and all kinds of yarn (By sea only).		
24. Vegetable oil cakes.		
25. Fluid milk (from Bombay City, Bombay Suburban District and part of the Thana Mahal encircled by the Bassein-Thana creek).		
26. Soap (By sea only).		
27. Coal.		
28. Sago.		
29. Gunny bags (new).		

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MALGUZAR TO HANG

Sequel To Murder Of Forest Guard

(From Our Correspondent.)
NAGPUR, (By Mail.)

Mr. S. Jafri, Additional Sessions Judge, Khandwa, sentenced one Babusingh, a Malguzar to death and Kedarsingh to 2 years' R. I. for aiding in the concealment of the dead body of the forest guard. The prosecution story was that the accused Babusingh who was a prominent Malguzar of Khandwa went for shooting in the Government forest with his guest Kedarsingh. The accused Babusingh aimed at a bird but missed his mark. Hearing the report of the gun the forest guard arrived on the scene and asked the accused to accompany him to the Forest Officer. The deceased guard wanted to seize the gun as it was utilised in the reserved forest where shooting was prohibited. A scuffle ensued between the accused and the deceased. It was alleged that the accused got hold of the gun and fired at the guard. The guard died on the spot. The accused took the dead body in a secluded place and concealed it. After about two months the matter came to light.

ABSCONDER ASKED TO SURRENDER

Mr. Shyam Narain Kashmiri, a prominent Socialist worker of the city who is declared an absconder since the last August Disturbances has been asked to surrender himself immediately to the District Magistrate, Nagpur, within 30 days.

RED-SEAL METAL POLISH

No. 12—Size— 8 Doz. a case—Rs. 96/- per case.
No. 6—Size—12 Doz. a case—Rs. 84/- per case.
F.O.R. CALCUTTA—IMMEDIATE DELIVERY
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SETT & DASS CO. 78|79, BEADON ST., CALCUTTA
WANTED STOCKISTS & AGENTS.

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It's no use expecting him to keep clean—he can't. Everything a healthy boy enjoys doing makes him dirty. But the dirt, dangerous as it is, won't do him any harm if you've been wise enough to teach him the healthy Lifebuoy habit. Have you?

All children should be taught to wash regularly with antiseptic Lifebuoy. This habit is their safeguard against the germs of illness and infection that breed in every kind of dirt. Lifebuoy contains a *special health-protecting element* that has made it world-famous. Your children need its constant protection from the ever-present "dirt-danger."

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THE CONDUCTOR AND YOU

Dear Passenger:

Have you ever looked at things from the Conductor's point of view? If you do so, it'll help you secure more comfortable travel for yourself.

Well, here's part of the Conductor's job: he has to issue tickets, give change wherever necessary, control loading and unloading, signal the driver to start and stop, and often answer questions which thoughtful passengers never need ask. And he's expected to do all this with a smile! Yes, it's a job! But it can be made much easier if YOU decide to lend him a helping hand. Here's how:

(1) Always board through a queue, and only at a "stop." It's both unfair and illegal to break into a queue, or to board a running vehicle.

(2) Have your correct fare ready, and tender it without waiting to be asked. The maximum legal tender is one rupee.

(3) State your destination clearly. See that your ticket is correctly printed. And keep it. It's a cash receipt in case an official should ask for it. If you've thrown it away, you will have to pay your fare again, that's the law. Besides, your ticket is useful in case you wish to make a complaint, or recover lost property, if any.

(4) If you are standing on the platform, give way for passengers who wish to alight. As soon as a seat is available, take it promptly.

(5) Be ready to alight as soon as you reach your destination so that waiting passengers may see you and avoid crowding the exit.

(6) Please abide by the notices displayed in the buses and trams. They are meant to help you and your neighbour by making the services more efficient.

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Jayashree, Chandramohan

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Fri., Sat., Sun. 1-15 p.m.

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9th Week

RANJIT'S

SHANKAR-PARVATI

Daily: 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
To-day, Sat. Sun.
Matinee 1-30

Advance Booking:
9-30 to 12-30 and 3 to 6-30

OPERA HOUSE

PICTURE THAT HAS SET UP NEW BOX-OFFICE RECORDS
34TH WEEK!
PRAKASH'S

RAM RAJYA

Daily: 3-30, 6-30 Hindi
9-45 p.m. Marathi
Fri., Sat., Sun. Extra Show
12-30 Noon (Hindi)
Sunday Matinee 9-30 A.M.
(Marathi)

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SUNDAY MORNING AT 10-30
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EIGHT WALT DISNEY CARTOONS IN TECHNICOLOR
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2nd Week of Crowds at

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(Dubash Theatre)

Daily: 4, 7, 10. Fri., Sat., Sun. Holiday 1 p.m.

5 FIFTH WEEK — COURAGE OF CONVICTION that had its REWARD

J. B. H. Wadia Production

VISHVAS

SURRENDRA-MEHTAB
BABY MADHURI

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To-day Matinee at 1-30
Daily at 4, 7 and 10

Tram arrangements after last show for Girgaon, Kalbadevi and Dadar.

Books: 10 to 12 and 3 to 6
"Happy" Release.

CITY AND SUBURBS

TO-DAY

Hindu: Chaitra Shud 14, 2000.
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Akkad 13, 1363.
Parsi: Avan 7, 1313.
Sunrise: 7-28 a.m. Sunset 7-53 p.m.
Hightide: 12-06. Lowtide. 5-50, 17-57.

To-day's Engagements

POSTAL HOLIDAY: To-day (Friday) is a Post Office and Telegraph holiday on account of Good Friday.

ALL INDIA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Opening Session to-day (Friday), at 5-30 p.m. (S. T.), at the Vanita Vishram, Sandhurst Road.

GOOD FRIDAY CELEBRATION: To-day (Friday), at 6-15 p.m., at Mazdaznan Hall, opp. Churchgate Station a special meeting to celebrate Good Friday will be held.

HARI KIRTAN: Maharaj Vijayshanker with Sangit Kaladhar Pandit Davendra will give a series of Hari Kirtans from to-day (Friday) to 13th instant, at 6-15 p.m., at the Blavatsky Lodge, Chaupati. The first Kirtan was given on Thursday.

SHANMUGANANDA SANGEETHA SABHA: Musical entertainment by Brahmasri Ramalinga Bagavathar (Vocal), Madras Balakrishna Iyer (Violin) and Master Nellai Lakshmanan Mridangam, to-day at 4-30 p.m. (N. S. T.), at the South Indian Educational Society's High School Hall, Brahmanwada Road, Matunga.

NATIONAL WEEK IN BOMBAY: Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition at Asthika Samaj Hall (near King's Circle), Matunga, will be opened to-day (Friday), at 10 a.m., by Mr. M. R. Masani, Mayor of Bombay.

The exhibition will remain open between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. daily. The exhibition will run for three days. Admission is by tickets of one anna.

AT RAMBAGH: The Health and Swadeshi Arts and Handicrafts Exhibition, which is organised by the All-India Women's Conference, and which was declared open by Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit at "Rambagh", C. P. Tank, on the 5th inst. is now open to the public every day, up to the 10th inst. between 3-30 p.m. and 7-30 p.m.

HOME ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBITION: Sale at Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall, continues to-day (Friday) and also to-morrow Saturday (whole days).

KAMBAR DAY:—The "Kambar Day" will be celebrated at the South Indian Association to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m.

SARASWAT UNION: The sixth annual social gathering of the Union will be held to-day (Friday) and on Sunday. Mr. M. M. Mundkur will preside.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on "Body and Astral Body" from the Ocean of Theosophy by W. Q. Judge, Jehangir Wadia Bldg., Flora Fountain to-day (Friday) at 6-15 p.m.

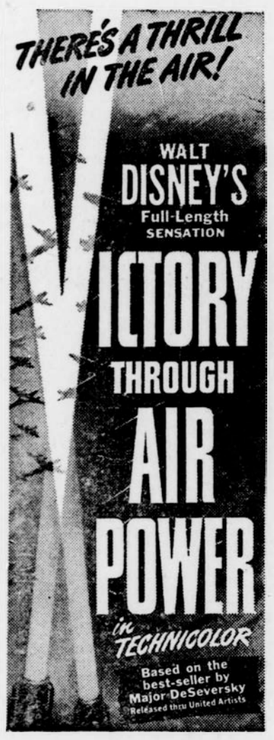
ARYA SAMAJ:—The 17th anniversary of the Fort Arya Samaj will be celebrated from to-day (Friday) till Sunday. There will be a Nagarkeertan to-day starting from the Samaj Mandir and lectures and Bhajanopadesh on 8th and 9th under the presidentship of Messrs. D. D. Sethia and J. C. Takkar.

Government House News

BOMBAY, April 6.

The Governor of Bombay invested Flight Lieutenant Syed Nisar Ali with the badge of the title of Khan Saheb at Government House

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Colville accompanied by Miss Colville and personal staff left on tour.



NEW EMPIRE

3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.

Daily: 4-30, 7-15, 10-15 p.m.
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Matinee 1-45 p.m.

TAJ Murli's 2nd Social Hit Now

IN GRAND 2ND MONTH

"KURBANI"

Directed by RAM DARYANI
Co-starring
*DURGA KHOTE,
*VASANTI. *KAUSHALYA*,
ISHWARLAL, GULAB* GOPE*
The Saga of Duty and Sacrifice.
Plans open 10 to 12

NEPAL RANI OPENS "DIL PAZIR" FETE

Donates 11,001 To Beggars' Relief Fund

The Dil Pazir Fete, organised by Mrs. Bapsey Sabavalla, was declared open by Her Highness Rani Saniba Bhakti Devi of Nepal, on Thursday evening in the midst of a large and distinguished audience.

The Rani Saniba donated a sum of Rs. 11,001 towards the Beggars Relief Fund, in aid of which the Fete was held.

The Cooperage where the Fete is organised presents a festive appearance with all the fun and frolic of a carnival.

Lady Rama Rau, in welcoming the Rani Saniba and requesting her to inaugurate the Fete, gave a brief resume of the untiring endeavours of Mrs. Bapsey Sabavalla to ameliorate the sad lot of beggars and destitutes in the city. She exhorted the public of Bombay to make the Fete a success and to contribute generously towards this deserving cause.

The Rani Saniba paid glowing tributes to the organisers of the Fete. Her Highness stated that the scheme sponsored by the Government of Bombay and the Municipality to segregate the city's beggar population could not be a thorough success unless public help and funds were forthcoming. She complimented the Governor of Bombay, for taking keen interest in the matter. Her Highness appealed to the people of Bombay to give their whole-hearted support to the Beggars' Relief Fund by loosening their purse-string.

A notable feature of the Fete is a stall exhibiting for sale the best indigenous products of India. It is known as 'Sayamentaka' and is in the charge of Mr. S. A. Sabavalla and his younger brother. Here are available some of the costliest and most gorgeous silks, sweet Indian perfumes, books by eminent Indian authors including Mahatma Gandhi, Indian antiques and curios and various other rare Swadeshi articles.

Mr. Gole Elected Chairman Of Standing Committee

Mr. R. A. Gole was elected Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Bombay Municipal Corporation at its meeting on Wednesday. He has been a member of the Corporation for 20 years. He was also chairman of the schools committee for one year.

Bombay Muslim Chamber Office-Bearers

The following members have been elected office-bearers for the current year: President: Habib Ibrahim Rahimtoola; Vice-Presidents: Mr. Mohamad Moosa Killedar and Mr. Gulamhusain Sonavla; Messrs. A. E. Moakati, Mahomedalli S. Maniar, Karimbhoy Mahomedally Dohadwala, Khan Bahadur Hasanally P. Ebrahim, Abdulkader M. Shaikh, Ebrahim Yousuf Zainal Alireza; Haji Nurmahomed Ahmed, Aziz A. Mecklai; Hussein A. Waljee; M. H. Abdulkarim, Abdul Majid Tungekar and Zakeria Wally Mohamed

Send Off To Mr. S. C. Roy

Mr. S. C. Roy, the Chairman of the Bengal Textile Control Advisory Committee, and the Director of the Dhakeshwari Cotton Mills was given a send off on Wednesday at Victoria Terminus where he was garlanded by his friends and admirers. During his short stay in Bombay, Mr. S. C. Roy attended the meeting of the Handloom Committee of the Textile Control Board, in which the question of the formation of an All-India Handloom Committee was discussed. He also attended on special invitation, the meeting of the Textile Control Board.

Prior to his departure Mr. Roy was entertained to tea at the Bombay Branch office of the Aryathan Insurance Company, Ltd., Phirozshah Mehta Road, Fort.

Khadi And National Week

In view of the National Week (6th to 13th April) it is gratifying to hear that the U. P. Congressmen have proposed a scheme for the furtherance of Khadi and that they have decided to concentrate their energies upon hand-spinning and weaving and relief to the families of those who are in prison. Price control has certainly brought down the price of cloth but there is still much room for the preparation of hand-woven cloth from hand-spun yarn on a larger scale as the mills are predominently engaged on Government war work.

It is opportune now for all other provinces to emulate this example so that the National Week may prove a grand success. Following are the lines on which Gandhiji wishes us to celebrate this week:

1. We can, every one of us, buy as much khadi as we can.
2. We can sell as much khadi as we can.
3. We can spin as much yarn as we can.
4. We can give as much as we can to the A. I. S. A. and collect from others.
5. Lastly if we have the will and opportunity we can dedicate ourselves wholly to khadi work.

MOORTHY.

5 FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENTS IN 24 HOURS

BOMBAY, Thursday

Five accidents happened within 24 hours on the local line of the B. B. and C. I. Railway, resulting in the death of one person in each case.

In the first case a woman was knocked down by an electric train at Lower Parel. She sustained a severe

In another case, a mendicant was crushed to death by a passenger train between Lower Parel and Elphinstone Road stations.

A man fell down from a train near Tardeo Bridge, and died of injuries soon after. A little farther off another man fell from an overcrowded local train, sustaining injuries which proved fatal.

At Bandra, a Bhayya was hit on his head while looking out of the carriage window. He was taken to the hospital where he died.

All the five bodies were removed to the Morgue. The inquests over them were postponed by the Coroner after recording preliminary evidence in some cases.

ALL INDIA MUSLIM EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

The All-India Muslim Educational Conference will be held at Jubbulpore on the 16th, 17th and 18th April, 1944 under the Presidentship of the Hon. Sir Mohamed Azizul Haque.

Mr. Ahmed E. H. Jaffer, the out-going President, will preside at the opening sitting of the Educational and Social Reform Section of the All-India Muslim Educational Conference.

An important meeting of the Governing Board of the Bombay Provincial Muslim Educational Conference will be held at Haroon Mansion, Poona on the 11th April when representatives from all parts of the Province are expected to attend to reach decisions on important matters pertaining to Muslim education including election of delegates to the All-India Muslim Educational Conference, and the framing of a final resolution about the Maharashtra University Committee report to be moved at the said Conference.

BARODA TEAM TRIUMPHS

BANGALORE, April 5: Baroda Eleven beat the Combined Eleven by six wickets in a four-day festival cricket match which came to a conclusion this afternoon. Combined Eleven 193 and 307

Baroda Eleven 413 and 99 for four wickets.—A. P.

7th Week

NAVIN'S

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Today & Sun. Matinee 1-30
Advance Booking: 10 to 12

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Today at 1-45
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Valet.	10's	2	4	0

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, April 6.

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on 2nd April, 1944:—

Allahabad 82 65 0; BOMBAY 87 73 0; Calcutta 88 69 0; Cawnpore 87 40 0; Cuttack 89 71 0; Darjeeling 54 42 0.1; Delhi 87 64 T; Dehra Dun 76 59 0; Jacobabad 91 66 0.3; Karachi 84 75 0; Lahore 83 61 0.2; Lucknow 84 62 0; Madras 88 76 0; Nagpur 0 0 0; Patna 83 63 0; Peshawar 61 58 0.3; Shillong 61 50 0.1; Simla 57 44 0.—A P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY.

The arms are fair,
When the intent of bearing them is just.
—William Shakespeare.

The Bombay Chronicle

END THIS DRIFT

Over eighteen months after their detention without a trial Congress leaders have been informed by the Government of India why they were so detained and probably asked to show cause why they should not continue to be detained. And even now the public is not to know what are the grounds urged against Gandhiji and what has been his reply. Even if nothing had been said publicly by Government against him, the charges now urged against him ought to have been made public. Justice demands this open procedure, if only because some people from among the public could conceivably prove the baselessness of the charges. In the present case Government have before levelled grave and unsubstantiated charges against him and have later been compelled to modify or withdraw some But they still want to continue their secret methods of the Bastille That is some indication of the sort of justice that is now being dispensed by the British Government in India.

Government seem to think that war can cover many sins of omission and commission. Thus in the name of the war the Governor's autocracy is to be given a fresh lease of one year in all the provinces now governed under Section 93. The legislatures in these provinces are not allowed to function nor are they dissolved. For Government know that either way they will be exposed. Scarcity prevails in some of these provinces. But the legislatures are not allowed to consider the problem nor are the leaders released so to be able to organise relief and food supply. Indeed it passes one's understanding how Government dare to pile injustice upon injustice.

It is time the Congressmen who are free met to devise ways of inducing a little more sense of responsibility in Government. U.P. Congressmen are expected to meet at Lucknow in a few days to settle their future course of action. An all-India meeting is necessary both for the purpose of organising constructive work, with special reference to food supply, and for giving necessary warnings to Government. It is suicidal and humiliating for Congressmen to let things drift indefinitely. Non-Congressmen's conferences like the No-party Leaders' Conference meeting today are doubtless useful in their own way. But an all-India Conference of Congressmen and sympathisers is the main thing and should no longer be delayed The demand for the release of Congress leaders and other measures to end the deadlock must be made irresistible. The present situation in the country brooks no more delay.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

The Italian Stalemate

The battle of the beachheads as well as that in the Cassino sector of the Italian front has reached a stalemate and the road to Rome, which at the beginning of the year appeared as capable of negotiation by the Allies in a couple of months, remains as long as ever. In other sectors of the front, too, a similar state of things prevails. Both sides are obviously not prepared, for whatever reasons, to reinforce themselves sufficiently to press the issue to a final conclusion either way. The stakes on either side are deemed to be too great for one of them to yield the ground to the other, and prestige seems to be not the least of them. While it is unthinkable for the Allies to give up the territories they have occupied on the Italian mainland after such hard struggle, for the Germans, too, the loss of Rome and any further loosening of their grip on the country would spell complete disaster on the Italian front. It is difficult to prognosticate when the Allies would be in a position to renew their offensive and make material headway against the Germans. Probably they are waiting for a definite crack-up of the German front in Eastern Europe, before making a determined attempt to smash the enemy in Italy.

Doomed Odessa

With the capture of Razdelnaya, the key junction of the main railway line leading out of Odessa into Rumania, the doom of this great Black Sea port may be taken as practically sealed. There is no way of escape left to Marshal von Kleist's 200,000 men except through the Black Sea and the estuary of the Dniester which lies to its left. Russian columns pouring in from the north as well as the east are now thundering at the gates of the city and all signs go to show that the next week may not pass before the citadel falls. The fate of the trapped garrison is unenviable. Similar is the plight of the fifteen German divisions encircled in the Skala pocket further north. Every day that passes sees them relentlessly decimated by the fire of Russian guns from the air as well as from land. Inside Tarnopol, too, the garrison has been cut off completely by the Russians and is facing annihilation. To add to the plight of the enemy, report comes that the Ploesti oil-fields, in central Rumania, the main source of motor fuel for the German armies in the East, have been heavily bombed by American "Flying Fortresses" and "Liberators". Though Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, has declared that Rumania will be defended at all costs, the assurance is bound to prove futile in the face of the irresistible onward march of the Soviet Armies. Ribbentrop's Colleague, Goebbels, has proved a more reliable prophet by warning his countrymen that they are facing a crisis exactly similar to that which confronted them in 1918. History is clearly repeating itself for the Germans, though the Nazi leaders are pretending not to notice it.

Good Riddance!

If Mr. A. J. Cummings' surmise proves correct and Mr. Leopold Amery at last quits the India Office, India on whose shoulders he has been sitting like Sindbad's "old-man-of-the-sea" will welcome the step heartily as it will be perhaps the only wise thing he has done for this country during his long and unwanted stewardship Mr. Amery's friends and admirers may plead that he is a much misunderstood friend of India. But the history of British rule in this country has known more than one member of Mr. Amery's tribe—"friends of India" and foes of Indians—the Dalhousies, Curzons, O'Dwyers, Hoares and Linlithgows. If Mr. Amery does not find much gratitude in Indians for what he may regard as his "thankless" task, he will no doubt lay the flattering unction to his soul that in doing what he did in respect of India, he was trying to serve his own country's interests at least.

Deserved Tributes

Just tributes were exchanged on Wednesday between Mrs. Kamaladevi and the Bombay Municipality. The Mayor stated a bare truth when he remarked that Mrs. Kamaladevi had not only preached but also practised in her own life those brave and noble ideals that made her name so popular among the people of this country. Equally deserved is the tribute to the All-India Women's Conference, which opens its session to-day in the city under her presidentship. The conference is a model of united, patriotic constructive work. With her wide experience of ameliorative work in many lands Mrs. Kamaladevi could commend to the Corporation a most attractive programme, not in a spirit of challenge but because of her conviction that Bombay, more than any other city in India, could make at least a near approach to the ideal she set before it. The Corporation, we are sure, will give its most earnest attention to the programme suggested by Mrs. Kamaladevi, particularly the part dealing with maternity and child welfare.

Sati Kasturba

Under this title Mr. R. K. Prabhu, Asst. Editor of the "Bombay Chronicle", has edited a brief but inspiring life-sketch of Shrimati Kasturba Gandhi. (Published by Hind Kitabs, 267, Hornby Road Bombay; pages 87; price Rs. 1/4). Though brief, the life sketch covers the principal events in a most eventful life, and in simple moving words, taken mainly from Gandhiji's Autobiography, brings out those great virtues which made Kasturba a living embodiment of a spirit of dedication to every cause initiated by Gandhiji. The book also contains "Some Personal Reminiscences" by Mr. G. S. Kalyanpur also of the "Chronicle", many of which first appeared in the "Bombay Chronicle" Weekly. In an appreciative foreword Mayor M. R. Masani, referring to the Kasturba Memorial Fund, writes: "The editor and the publishers of this book have decided that their royalties and profits will go towards the Fund. I would like to congratulate them on that decision as well as on the promptness with which they have made available this little record of Kasturba's life and work. Every reader is thus enabled, in one act, to learn more about Kasturba, as well as to contribute his or her mite towards perpetuating her memory." We cordially commend the book to every Indian.

Anglo-Indians' Education

Addressing the annual general meeting of the Anglo-Indian and Domiciled European Association, at Delhi, Mr. Frank Anthony, the President-in-Chief, made a none too early plea for radical reform in the Anglo-Indian and European schools in India. The more important points referred to, as the basis of the scheme to be submitted to Government, were that the standard of vernacular instruction in Anglo-Indian and European Schools be raised so as to approximate the standard obtainable in Indian schools, and that an indigenous system of examinations be adopted. These reforms are essential for the purpose of bringing the community into closer contact with other communities, besides being educationally sound. They have already been delayed too long and should not be delayed further. It will be well for the Association to publish the details of its proposed educational reforms.

LONDON EFFORT FOR INDIAN RELIEF

Exhibition Organised To Raise Funds

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, April 6.

The Head of Lever Brothers and Unilever Limited, Lord Lever Hulme will be the guest of honour of India Relief Committee (of which Mr. Clement Davies is president, and Mr. Krishna Menon is chairman) at Claridge's on April 19 when prominent city merchants are expected to be present and discuss with the committee what useful steps they could take to render speedy assistance to those suffering as a result of famine in India.

The Alpine Club galleries in the heart of Mayfair have been booked to hold an exhibition of Indian arts for which purpose a special council has been set up with Sir William Rothenstein as president and Sir George Schuster, Sir Robert Mayer and Vera Brittain as vice-president.

The exhibition is being organised to raise funds on behalf of the Calcutta Mayor's Famine Fund for which India Famine Committee (with Mr. W. G. Cove as Chairman Mr. Amiya Bose as Secretary) is functioning here. Mr. Kenneth Codrington, Keeper of India Section in Victoria and Albert Museum, Mr. John Rothenstein Director of Tate Gallery, Mr. Basil Gray Curator of the Oriental Section of the British Museum have been appointed advisers to select works of art.

I understand, the advisers are very keen on displaying Moghul art as also some cultural collection brought to Britain from India, especially the famous Baker collection.

The Organisers are also expecting to receive from Calcutta in time for exhibition specimens of modern Indian paintings and other drawings.

The exhibition will be held in June-July and the Tagore Society is cooperating.

NEW GOVERNOR OF BANK OF ENGLAND

Lord Catto To Succeed Montagu Norman

LONDON, April 6.

Lord Catto has been appointed Governor of the Bank of England with effect from April 18.

Mr. Montagu Norman is retiring owing to ill-health after 24 years as Governor.

Lord Catto started his business life as a Scottish office boy.

Starting his business life as an office boy in a Newcastle shipping firm, at 19, through a local newspaper advertisement, Lord Catto got a job taking him to Russia, the Near and Middle East and by 30 was sent to New York as Vice-President of the American Branch of the well-known Merchants, MacAndrews and Forbes. In New York, he spent the next ten years of his life. Subsequently he went to India to succeed the late Sir David Yule as head of the great Yule business interests in Calcutta. After 12 years in India he returned in 1930 to become Director of the Merchant Banking House of Morgan Grenfell and the Royal Exchange Insurance Company. For some years he was also Chairman of the Mercantile Bank of India.

Lord Catto, who is a Scottsman was elected Director of the Bank of England in March, 1940, but resigned this and other appointments in June of that year on accepting the war appointment of Financial Adviser to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, (Ministry of Finance), at the request of the then Chancellor the late Sir Kingsley Wood.—Reuter.

40 P. C. YORKSHIRE MINERS STILL ON STRIKE

WESTMINSTER, April 6: About 60 per cent of the coal pits in Yorkshire were working this morning. The export of coal to neutral countries has been stopped. The British Government cannot allow the machinery between employers and employees in the coal industry to be weakened or destroyed.

These were the main points in a speech by the Minister of Fuel and Power Major Lloyd George, in Parliament to-day.

CLYDESIDE STRIKERS TO RESUME WORK

GLASGOW, April 6: The Clydeside apprentice strikers to-day unanimously decided to resume work on Tuesday.

HULL ON U.S. FOREIGN POLICY

WASHINGTON, April 6: The Secretary of State Cordell Hull will broadcast a statement on American Foreign Policy over the Columbia broadcasting systems network on April 9 at 22.30 G.M.T. for 45 minutes.

Allahabad Purse To K. Rama Rao

ALLAHABAD, April 5.—A purse, a watch and an address were presented to Mr. K. Rama Rao, Editor of the "National Herald" this evening by his friends at Allahabad in honour of the completion of his silver jubilee in journalism on March 14, 1944.

Mr. Rama Rao returned the purse to Mr. Gopalji Mehrotra, one of the directors of the "National Herald" entrusting him to distribute the sum to the families of the political detenus in the U.P.

Speaking on the occasion he urged newspaper proprietors to do their best to ameliorate the condition of working journalists.—A.P.

Sir Sultan Chinoy's Portrait Unveiled

Before a large gathering Sir Rustam Masani unveiled a portrait of Sir Sultan Chinoy in the premises of the Bombay Garage at Chowpatty on Thursday evening.

The occasion was a function arranged by the staff of Messrs. F. M. Chinoy and Co. Ltd., in honour of Sir Sultan for his services to the Company. Sir Sultan who entered his 60th year was paid glowing tributes by speakers and a silver casket was presented to him. A message from H. E. The Governor of Bombay wishing him a long life was read by Mr. Akbar N. Chinoy.

Sir Rustam in the course of his speech after referring the courage and self-confidence of Sir Sultan, which were the chief reasons for his success in life, paid tributes and wished a long life and greater success to Sir Sultan.

Sir Sultan in a brief reply thanked all those who spoke of his achievements.

Khumgaon Sabotage Case

Mr. J. K. Verma, Magistrate First Class, Wardha delivered judgment yesterday in the Khumgaon Sabotage Case, arising out of the August disturbances of 1942, acquitting all the 12 accused who were charged under rule 35 of the D.I.R. for removing bolts and nuts of rails between Pulgaon and Arvi.

In Line With Enemy Gun Fire

OUR WAR CORRESPONDENT ON HIS THRILLING EXPERIENCE IN "FORWARD AREA"

(By D. F. KARAKA, "Chronicle's War Correspondent)

IMPHAL FRONT, April 3.

Early yesterday morning Mr. Sharp and I drove down to see some of our forces in the most forward areas. There was a cold wind blowing. As the 'jeep' raced down the long road one could hardly believe that one was in India in the month of April! Somewhere round midday, we arrived at our destination and were taken to meet the General whose office was a sandbanked dugout barely 6 feet by 4 feet. A deal-wood table was his writing desk and by his side were his files, his map and his canvas basin. Generals at the front appear so much more human than we could ever imagine. The realities of war and the job they have to do make them careless about trimmings and trapping and there are often no red tabs, no creases on trousers, no pressing on their dust-covered battledress. Altogether there is more humanity about them and they are from what I have seen of more than one General, very kind to war correspondents, which makes our work here so much more pleasant for us. He gave us a picture of the part of the front for which he was responsible—a simple straightforward narrative not embellished by any purple patches nor by any exaggerated expressions of over-confidence. In many ways, he reminded me of a quiet, cultured Oxford Don rather than the cartoonist's idea of the British General.

JAP SWORD AS TROPHY

In this same little dug-out from where he was directing his war on a table beside him was a Japanese sword which had been captured by one of his battalions and presented to him. There was also a Japanese flag which an Indian regiment had brought in to him as a trophy. He was very proud of these though he said he usually did not collect souvenirs. I looked upon them rather in terms of their auctioning value and wondered what men like Sir Victor Sassoon and Sir Alwyn Ezra would have paid for them if auctioned in a good cause.

It was nearly one o'clock when we finished our interview and he asked the two of us to stay to lunch with him. The mess was in a tent. The dining table was a rickety little thing seating about ten people and covered with a purple and white check cloth. A bottle of pickle, butter, cheese were laid out and we had a nice lunch of bully beef, which was well masked and garnished with chips. We said we were disappointed at not having been able to see a battle yet, specially I, who had not yet experienced anything more than a war on paper.

FROM HILL TOP

"Well if you want to see a little bit of firing, you can get it not far from here" he said. He directed us to the place where Allied troops were trying to mop up a small force of Japs who had by luck dug their way into a beautiful bunker but who though difficult to get at had been completely isolated by Allied troops. We went up to one of our positions and to a company maintaining a constant fire on the Jap bunker which was on a nearby hill not more than 400 yards away. Our company was just making some tea in between peppering at the Japs. They were going to stay there till they got the Japs. Then somebody brought in the mail and copies of 'S.E.A.C.' They grouped together and read the headlines. "Japs Cross Indo-Burma Border'. One of them loudly read and they laughed to each other for they knew it all, the time. "No doubt about the result" said another in broad "Scotch" as he read from Gen. Auchinleck's statement. Then they turned to Jane who like our Mutt and Jeff is the most popular feature of 'S.E.A.C.' the newspaper published for the troops by Frank Owen. So they had their tea still peppering the Japs. The Japs did not reply.

We were then told to go to another hill nearby from where we would be able to see better. We did. As we ran the Jeep up the little hill, we realized how near this part of the road was to the Jap held position and we raced up quickly lest we should be an ideal target for a Jap sniper. We had hardly reached the top and parked the jeep when a strange whistling sound could be heard coming nearer to the two of us.

PULLED INTO DUG-OUT

For a moment we were not quite sure what it was but we heard it pass just over our heads into the valley below and go off with a big bang. We knew we had landed right in line with the enemy's gun fire. It was not a rifle shot but a real gun that was pounding away. We ran up the hill —still a little unconcerned not out of any feeling of bravery but chiefly out of ignorance of what was happening around us. There we saw more of our men who pulled us quickly into their dugout. At intervals of a couple of minutes, the Jap gun could be heard. First the whistle, then like leaves rustling, then the thud. "That was a close one" the corporal said to the Major.

One of the other eight men in the dug-out picked up a piece of shrapnel still warm and showed it to me.

It was about the length of a cigarette. Not quite the sort of thing I would like sticking into the side of me. It went on like this for about ten minutes.

Then it ceased. It was then that Mr Sharp and I thought of making our way back. We walked back to the jeep though on the way, my cap blew off by the shock of one of our own mortars being discharged from a position about a yard away from me. We laughed but frankly it was not very funny.

I KISSED MOTHER EARTH!

However we got back to our jeep where Mr Sharp got talking to a Captain and went on for a moment to see something with him. I waited at the jeep on the pin-point of a hill smoking a cigarette. The only nearby person was the sentry a young Tamil boy, who was standing impressively on guard. I had hardly been there five minutes when the whistling sound was heard again. I could not see a dug-out nearby so I just made for the ground near the jeep—the first time I have kissed the mother earth which was a nice feeling when I thought to myself that after all it was that part of the earth which is yours and mine, the India which we have trod upon but never gone down to kiss. It gave one a feeling of humility and showed how insignificant was man in terms of that great entity which was his country. The irony was that it had to be an enemy's gunfire that brought this realisation to one almost in a flash. The sentry had apparently not heard the whistling sound that time but when he heard the thud which seemed to have hit the road 70 yards below us, his rigid pose eased and he made for a slit trench which I had not observed. I followed him as quickly. The whilst came over us again and thudded in the valley on the other side.

"WE DUCKED LOW"

While we ducked as low as we could in this trench, hardly large enough for three persons twice more the enemy gun fired and these two shots landed rather too close for my liking. I could feel the ground near me shake once and it was not till later when the enemy gun stopped that I realized I was standing only 20 yards or so above the spot which the Japs apparently wanted to shell. Nor did I realize what shelling meant till I saw the dent it had made on the hill. A sepoy on the other side had been less fortunate. He had caught the sharpnel. Mr. Sharp who was taking cover elsewhere could see the clouds of dust raised near me which, thank God, I didn't see.

However having had my first battle innoculation on however small a scale, I got up to the top of our position behind a tank which was about to reply to the enemy impertinence. It did and the enemy hill got for ten minutes such a pasting from various sides as I thought would have silenced any living thing which was around. The mere recoil made it difficult for me to keep my binoculars glued to the same spot. What was left of the Japs, one did not know, but it was nearly six and we had a long way to go and so we stepped into the jeep and drove back. It was darkening fast and when we got back into our camp, night was well on the way. We washed our dust covered faces and as I looked up wiping my face I saw the moon still in the sky and as I had said earlier in my message that day, all still seemed right with the world. We ate by candle light and I read some of the letters waiting for me. This seemed to have come from so very far. It was a nice warm feeling.

FIGHTING INFLATION

Sir Purshottamdas' Tips To Govt.

Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas in the course of a statement says:—

The Finance Member in his final reply on the Finance Bill in the Assembly said, giving his own minimum conditions under which he could deal effectively with inflation, that the measures which were actually adopted by the present Government would have been adequate provided they covered the whole field. By that he meant (1) if the jurisdiction of the Central Government had applied to Indian States as well as to British India, the picture would have been different (2) if the income-tax jurisdiction of the Central Government had applied to agricultural as well as non-agricultural income (3) if he had an Income-tax Department three times its present size, and (4) if he had a price control staff 50 times the present size. If these four conditions were present, he concluded that India would have had a different picture. In so far as he failed to secure these four conditions, he pleaded guilty of having caused inflation.

The above is a very frank and outspoken statement of facts and, as far as India is concerned, what matters is not who has been guilty till now, so much as what can be set right hereafter. Cannot No. 1 above still be made the Indian States have all proclaimed that they were prepared to put all the resources of their States at the disposal of the Crown, and can the Viceroy even now not ask them to stand by that declaration of theirs?

Similarly regarding No. 3 is it not false economy on the part of the Finance Department of the Government of India to continue to administer the Income-tax Department with a staff which is three times less than what the amount to be collected and work to be done for it necessitates? Surely the Finance Department can set this right. The state of affairs, as it is, only adds to efforts at evasion of tax and delay in collecting tax due.

Regarding No. 4, if the staff necessary to control prices is 50 times the present one, has the Government of India not embarked on something which is out of all proportion to any businesslike adventure even, and is it any wonder that price control has led to more evasion of control than reasonable effective enforcement of it.

The frank statement of the Finance Member supplies a complete vindication of those who said from the very start that the Government have not the machinery to enforce any sort of control of prices which would bring relief to the class for whom alone it can possibly have been devised. Whilst congratulating the Finance Member on his very frank statement, I suggest to the Government of India that they are not justified in letting things to carry on as they have been till now, giving relief to few, and putting temptation in the way of many, many more.

WHEN RELEASED U. P. CONGRESSMEN MEET

LUCKNOW, April 5: Pursuant to the Allahabad decision of the U.P. Congress leaders, it is understood that about 500 released Congress workers of the province have been invited to attend a meeting which will be held here on April 16 and 17 when the Allahabad decision and the present political situation in the light of the latest developments will, among others, be discussed.

The question of participation in the forthcoming municipal elections in the province by the Congress is also likely to come up for discussion.

The 'United Press' understands that as a result of the talks which some of the Congress leaders of the United Provinces had with Mrs. Naidu at Delhi, a move is afoot to convene a meeting of the released Congress workers of India in a central place in the near future. Though the venue and date of the proposed meeting have not yet been discussed, there is a possibility of the meeting being held in this Province.—United Press.

CONVICTIONS QUASHED

DACCA, April 5: Convictions awarded by Special Magistrates in 24 cases have been quashed in appeal by the Sessions Judge, Mr. J. De, who has also directed that no further proceedings be taken against the accused persons.

The appeals were filed by the Secretary of the Dacca Bar Association as 'Amicus Curiae.'—A. P.

DETENU EXTERNED

HUBLI, March 5: Mr. Prabhudev, Labour Leader of Mysore State, who was in Jail as a detenu, was taken to Trichinopoly and left there with a notice of externment, says a message from Shimoga.—A. P.

The Sophia College Case

(By K. T. Shah)—III

The competence, again, of the Committee which conducted the enquiry has been questioned,—if not expressly, at least by the unavoidable implication of the amendment in the Senate demanding a fresh enquiry. The personnel of this Committee included two actual Judges of the High Court,—one Hindu, and one Muslim; two ex-judges, one Hindu and one Parsi (who, as Vice-Chancellor, was Chairman); and a Muslim lawyer of long standing, also a member of the Syndicate. This was intended to secure the utmost impartiality; and to that end the present writer, though a barrister, a syndic and the mover of the whole case, was excluded from the Committee.

The charge has been made that there was no Christian on the Committee. But there was and is no Christian lawyer member of the Syndicate, of whom alone the Committee was formed. In the Syndicate itself, there is, of course, a Jesuit; but, strange to say, he did not see fit to record any formal protest or dissent regarding the composition or findings of the Committee.

In contrast to this, the Amendment in the Senate proposed a committee, one of whose members was a professed Christian Missionary; and another a Hindu who had made himself conspicuous by his insistent advocacy of the Sophia College, in, as well as outside, the University bodies of which he is a member. Two other members would be common to the earlier Committee and that proposed in the Amendment, the Vice-Chancellor and the Muslim Judge of the High Court. May not these be considered as committed to the view they had already advised? The fifth member proposed was a distinguished, eminent lawyer a former Vice-Chancellor, a Hindu,— who alone could reasonably claim to be utterly impartial.

It is difficult to appreciate the reasons prompting the exclusion of another member, —a Judge of the High Court,—of the Syndicate Committee from the personnel proposed in the Amendment,—unless it was intended to question his ability of impartiality, even though Hinduism is a non-proselytising religion; and the jurist excluded by the amendment is a Hindu. The exclusion of the Muslim advocate from the Committee proposed in the Amendment is an undeserved slight, all the more pointed to those who knew his views when the agitation first began.

The decision of a Committee of this personnel might well be taken to be a foregone conclusion, even if it could be armed with larger and more effective powers,—which, at the time the Amendment was moved, were not available, nor suggested. In contrast to this, the Syndicate Committee, which had investigated the matter on two occasions, had signalised their impartiality and considerateness to the College authorities by recommending, in the first instance, that the affair be settled by the University obtaining assurances for future correct behaviour. It is only when they were all convinced that mere assurances from such finished casuists would not suffice that they unanimously recommended disaffiliation.

Apart from this, exception has also been taken regarding the nature, source, and sufficiency of the evidence taken. But all objection on that score is either misconceived, or irrelevant. The Governing Body, for example, complains that it was not called. But the Principal always spoke on behalf of the Governing Body; and no suggestion was ever made that that body would say anything other than what the Principal had averred. The Governing Body had, moreover, formally endorsed her action by declaring their confidence in her. Moreover, while the Principal, who appeared more than once before the Enquiry Committee, had remained the same throughout the Governing Body had been reconstituted at the end of 1943.

There was thus no point in calling the new Governing Body which was not in office when the conversions had actually had happened; and it was impossible to call the old one, because it had ceased to exist. The greatest common factor was the Principal; and she was called more than once. It was in fact her intransigeance which finally decided the committee.

Practically the same reasoning may apply to the calling of students or the lay staff. No suggestion was ever made, in the charges against the College, that every student had been approached with a view to conversion. Only those evincing a suitable inclination were selected by these experts in the art and technique of conversion. And these were 'ex hypothesi' prejudiced too much to be fair witnesses. As for the lay staff, most, if not all, of them were content with their allotted task; and had little extra-curricular interest in the students. What light could they throw on the matter before the Committee? And this apart from the self-interest, or sense of loyalty, of such parties!

Finally, the extent of the judicial powers of a University Committee being extremely limited, it was open to doubt if the Governing Body of the College, even if called, would be amenable to the same extent that the Principal of an affiliated college of the University may be presumed to be. In the absence of adequate powers to examine, cross-examine, and compel production of material, the Syndicate Committee would have been betrayed into a very unwise step had they decided to call evidence from this source.

(To Be Continued)

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

CALCUTTA, April 5.

Wild Naga tribesmen, forming the most irregular "Home Guard" in the world, are operating against the Japanese column which is being held more than 60 miles east of Kohima, says an Indian Army Observer in a despatch from the Naga Hills.

The really bad news so far is that 60 bottles of good Scotch whisky had to be destroyed in a dump, rather than let the enemy have the benefit of it.

These hospitable, self-reliant sturdy Nagas will not lightly make way for Jap raiders. Some already have destroyed food stocks rather than see them fall into enemy hands.—A. P.

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Japanese Ambassadors to Central European countries have been called for a meeting in Berlin.

Rats preparing to desert Hitler's sinking ship?

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Trotskyists, it is alleged, have been engineering strikes in British coalmines.

We did not know Trotskyists had capitalistic mine-owners among them!

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An "India Flag Day" is to be held in London.

They ought to sell a flag to Mr. Amery—a white flag!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) *The All-India Women's Conference has been invited by Mrs. Bapsy Sabawalla to change the venue of their session to Dil Pazir jete which is claimed to be a more suitable place.*

(2) *If this invitation is not accepted a rival women's conference will be held there every evening—and a much more colourful one.*

(3) *The Women's Conference has received greetings from Mrs. Roosevelt and Mrs. Churchill pledging the support of American and British women to the demand for Indian freedom.*

(4) *A resolution will be moved at the Women's Conference to-day amending the constitution so that no woman who has ever been to jail can be elected President.*

(5) *By another resolution, the Women's Conference will thank the Government for allowing women to work in mines.*

(6) *The proceedings of the Conference will be filmed by the Indian News Parade cameramen—in technicolour!*

(7) *The All-India Suffering Husbands Society is sending a deputation to wait upon the President of the Women's Conference to ventilate certain long-standing grievances.*

Budruddin Tyabji And Wachha

Sir, The year 1944 witnesses the centenary of the birth of two great Indians, illustrious national leaders and founders and ex-presidents of the Indian National Congress.

Sir Dinshaw Eduji Wachha was born on 2nd August 1844. Mr. Budruddin Tyabji was born on 8th October 1844. Living upto the good old age of 92 Sir Dinshaw died in Bombay on 18th February 1936. Mr. Tyabji died in England on 19th August 1906, when most of the present readers of the "Chronicle" were children or infants or were not even born. Mr. Tyabji's name to-day is almost forgotten.

On the occasion of the centenary of their birth, the memory of these two remarkable Indians, each a colleague of the other in the Indian National struggle, deserves to be honoured all over India, particularly by the people of Bombay.

Incidentally, this year, the 4th of August 1944 marks the completion of the 99 years and the beginning of the hundredth year of the birth of Bombay's matchless tribune, Sir Pherozshah Mehta, who was born on 4th August 1845 and with whom Sir Dinshaw Wachha and Mr. Budruddin Tyabji were so closely associated in public life.

ADI K. MUNSHI.

Will Sir Alfred Watson Answer?

In his usual flamboyant way, Sir Alfred Watson, the ex-editor of the Calcutta "Statesman", has observed as follows:—"Britain had raised India from chaos and anarchy, in which they found it, into one of the great commercial and industrial nations of the World"!! Is that so, please? Will Sir Alfred answer the following pertinent questions?

(1) When the East India Company came to India, there was the great Mogul Empire. Where were chaos and anarchy then in India, Sir Alfred?

(2) On the other hand, was not Britain a hot-bed of intrigues and persecution at the time, resulting in the beheading of King Charles I?

(3) And what was Britain's position on land and sea, in trade and industry, in art or craft, when Britishers first came to India?

(4) And during the last two hundred years, who has grown into power and pelf and possession? Britain or India? And at whose cost, please?

(5) Where is the British Empire without India, please?

(6) To the outside world, India might appear to have been vastly developed and enriched. But in reality, Indian masses are impoverished, their corn and cattle, their metals and ores are simply drained, and the net result is, all round scarcity and unheard-of high prices in India to-day!

(7) Will Sir Alfred prove his own case? Or disprove, the plain facts, as stated above?

(8) Before he indulges in any further jibes, let him read and reflect on the Grand Old Man's great work: —"Poverty and Un-British Rule in India."

B. F. BHARUCHA.

Sir Cowasji Jehangir's Vote

In the issue of "Chronicle" of March 28, you have published the names of those elected Indian members who have voted for the Government over the Finance Bill Among them is the name of Sir Cowasji Jehangir, who, I understand was elected by the solid support of Parsis. I draw the attention of my friend Mr. B. F. Bharucha, who rarely misses an opportunity to criticise Muslim Leadership and I invite him to discuss publicity the merit or otherwise of Sir Cowasji's action. Here is an excellent opportunity for Mr. Bharucha to express his opinion on the action of Parsi Leadership. This invitation is also extended to another Parsi friend, Mr. A. F. S. Talyarkhan Here is a sporting chance for him "to play cricket" on his "home ground". Will these friends oblige?

G. A. MOLEDINA.

Khar, March 31, 1944.

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CITY MARKETS

Bombay, April 6.

BULLION: Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar Sterling Cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London Spot and Forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d. and New York Spot Silver was quoted at 44-3/4 cents. The local market was again firm with broadening demand for Gold. The Bank sold about one lakh tolas Gold at Rs. 72-12 to Rs. 72-14 but the market was anxious to buy more and price rose to Rs. 74-12 and reacted to Rs. 74-4. Silver was also firm. Forward Silver advanced to Rs. 133-8 and later steadied at Rs. 133-4. It was pointed out previously that there is more inclination to buy Gold and prices are now advancing.

The market was steady and closing quotations were as under: Ready Gold Rs. 74/8; 1st Settlement Rs. 74/8; Sovereigns Rs. 51/4; Ready Silver Rs. 135/2; 1st Settlement Rs. 132/10.

COTTON ARRIVALS: Khandesh 187; Central India 381; Barsi 78; Berar 194; Central Provinces 197; Dholeras 2,761; Sindh-Punjab 6,231; Broach 6 115; Westerns 106; Total 16; 250 Bales.

COTTON: The local cotton market opened to-day at Rs. 439 for May delivery and improved to Rs. 439-8 under scattered buying. Later on there was renewed selling and prices declined to Rs. 437-8 and tone was easy.

Later on the market was quietly steady and closed at 4 p.m. as under:

I C C May Rs. 438; I C C July Rs. 448; I C C Sept. Rs. 453.

COTTON PARITY: Indian Cotton May contract is below New York May 389 cent. points at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES.

I. C. C. May Highest 440-3/4, Lowest 438-1/2, Closing 439-1/2; I. C. C. July Highest 449-1/2, Lowest 448. Closing 448-1/2; I. C. C. September Highest 453-3/4. Lowest 452, Closing 453-1/4.

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

BOMBAY, April 6.

Khandesh Jarilla new 365/390; Berar Jarilla new 365/380; 289 F. Jarilla new 560/570 N.T. Jarilla new 505/515; 289 F. Saw-ginned new 625/635.

COTTON ROOM RATES

BOMBAY, April 6.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup. Fine	F. Good
Jarilla	465	455	445 438
Broach	459	454	449 444
Surti	575	570	565 560
4F. Pun/American	500	495	490 485
L.S.S. Pun./American	540	535	530 525
289F. Pun/American	600	595	590 585
Saw-Gtd 4 F.	525	520	515 510
do L.S.S.	575	570	565 560
do 289 F.	645	640	635 630
M.G. 4F Sid/Ame	490	485	480 475
do N.T.	540	535	530 525
Saw-Gtd 4F. do	515	510	505 500
do 28 F. do	580	575	570 565
do N.T. do	580	575	570 565

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No business on the Exchange was transacted today, 6th April on account of the sad demise of Seth Haji Sakur Haji Jamal of M/s. Haji Jamal Noormohamed, a member of the Exchange.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Cotton fluctuated narrowly with scattered hedge selling and liquidation prompted by yesterday's late upturn and continued uncertainty over the war situation encountering price-fixing against textile awards. The lack of mill demand for spots and the approaching holidays retarded activity. The market closed steady.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, April 5.

May 20.83—04. July 20.60—04. October 20.06—02. December 19.90—03. January 19.84—03. March 19.73—05. May highest 20.88+01 (2-36 p.m.) lowest 20.83—04 (10-22 a.m.), Middling Spot 21.67—.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New York, April 5.

May 21.03+01. July 20.73+02. October 20.09—0.1 December 19.93—. January 19.83—. March 19.75—02. Middling Spot 20.95—.

NEW YORK COTTON, NOON CALL.

New York, April 5.

May 20.87. July 20.55. October 20.06.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 31st March, 1944.

LIABILITIES:

Capital Rs. 5,62,50,000; Reserve Fund Rs. 5,85,00,000; Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts Rs. 217,22 44,000 Sundries Rs. 1,09,84,000 Total Rupees 229,79,78,000.

ASSETS

INVESTMENTS:—

Government Securities Rs. 1,39,17,32,000; Other Authorised Investments Rs. 2,75,34,000

ADVANCE:—

Loan Rs. 19,49,21,000; Cash Credits and Overdrafts Rs. 38,72,76,000; Bills Discounted and Purchased Rs. 5,44,78,000; Dead Stock Rs. 1,71,13,000; Sundries Rs. 1,10,94,000

CASH:—

In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India Rs. 19,73,45 000; Balance with other Banks Rs. 1,64,85,000; Total Rs. 2,29,79,78,000

Indian Gram For Ceylon

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, April 5.

Ceylon has asked for allotment 6,000 tons gram from India and is likely to get it. Government of India will presently allow export to Ceylon 2,000 tons monthly of pulses. She has asked 6000 tons of grams in addition to the present pulses supply.

According to present arrangements Government of India would allot 6,000 tons grams on condition that Ceylon surrendered 3000 tons out of its monthly quota of pulses.

BAGHDAD: The first Chinese Minister to Iraq has arrived in Baghdad.

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DEWEY SCORES OVER WILLKIE

NEW YORK, April 5.

The Governor of New York State Mr. Thomas E. Dewey who is the undeclared bidder for the Republican Party presidential candidature scored a sweeping victory to-day over Mr. Wendell Willkie in the Wisconsin primary election.

With over two-thirds of the votes counted Mr. Willkie's supporters have so far failed to gain a single seat while Dewey's have gained at least 15 and probably 18 of the 24 allotted to Wisconsin.

The supporters of General Douglas MacArthur have gained three seats.

Mr. Wendell Willkie announced tonight: "It is obvious now that I cannot be nominated. I am, therefore, asking my friends to desist from any activity towards that end and not to present my name at the convention."

Mr. Wendell Willkie, who suffered a severe defeat to-day in the Wisconsin primary election at the hands of Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York State intends to withdraw from all State primaries, according to Transradio.

There is no confirmation of this from Mr. Willkie's headquarters but should it prove to be a fact, it would mean that Mr. Willkie was out of the presidential race. It is regarded unlikely that a "Draft Willkie" movement will develop spontaneously at the Republican Convention.

Announcing his withdrawal as a candidate for the Republican nomination for President, Mr. Willkie said: "It has been my conviction that no Republican could be nominated for President unless he received at the convention the vote of some of the major mid-western States.

For it is in this section of the country that the Republican Party has had its greatest resurgence.

I earnestly hope that the Republican Convention will nominate a candidate and have a platform which really represents views which I have advocated and which I believe are shared by millions of Americans.—Reuter.

Britain Tightens Isolation Ring Round Eire

LONDON, April 5.

Isolation ring round Eire has been tightened.

The British Post Master General announced early this morning that public telephone calls will be withdrawn immediately. He explained that this was "part of the general measures to prevent possible leakage of vital information through Ireland".

When the first of these measures—the suspension of all except urgent travel between Great Britain and Ireland—was announced on March 13, it was ascribed to "military reasons of paramount importance" It followed the Eirean Prime Minister Mr. Eamon DeValera's refusal to expel German and Japanese diplomatic representatives from Dublin where they presumably have been getting to know too much about Allied preparations for the opening of a Second Front on land.—Reuter.

BIGGEST COAL SEAM DISCOVERED IN NEWCASTLE

NEWCASTLE, April 5.

The biggest seam of outcrop coal ever known in Britain has been discovered stretching 26 miles from here into Northumberland.

Experts express the view that the seam will go a long way towards conserving Britain's coal resources.—Reuter.

Auchinleck Presents O. B. I. To Indian Gallants In Madras

MADRAS, April 5.

Two Subedar-Majors of the Indian Army were to-day presented with the O. B. I. in Madras by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, India, General Sir Claude Auchinleck. They were Subedar-Major R. A. Samuel of the Royal Indian Army Service Corps and Subedar-Major Amarsingh of the 8th Punjab Regiment.

Subedar-Major Samuel has thirty years service to his credit and was in the Middle East during 1940-1941 under both General Auchinleck and Lord Wavell. In the last war, too, Subedar-Major Samuel served in France, Gallipoli and Egypt.—A. P.

SETTLEMENT IN BHAVNAGAR MILL DISPUTE

(From Our Correspondent)

BHAVNAGAR, April 5.

Jehangir Mills, a compromise has been arrived at between the workers and the management according to which the workers will get 50 per cent increment in dearness allowance and two months pay as Bonus.

BOTANICAL AND ZOOLOGICAL EXHIBITION: Prof. Kotwal's collection of botanical and zoological specimens is being exhibited at the Byramjee Jeejeebhoy Parsee Charitable Institution, Queen's Road, (Opp. Charni Road Rly. Station), between 3 and 7 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays during April.

SHRI RAMA NAVAMI: In connection with the above celebrations the 'Okuli' which was timed for Monday last did not take place on account of rains. It will take place this morning (Friday) at Dutt Mandir, Sadanand Ashram, Talmakiwadi.

Three Musical Dance Films

Disney Cartoon On Power Through Air

By T. V. P.

"Girls He Left Behind" at Eros is perfect entertainment in dances and songs and colour starring Carmen Miranda, Alice Faye, James Ellison and Phil Baker supporting cast is appropriately elegant. It presents a well-developed engrossing story also.

"Best Food Forward" is also a delightful dance musical starring Lucille Ball. It depicts the atmosphere of a military academy in a festival spirit. A fine story is interwoven in this atmosphere.

Walt Disney's combination of live and animated cartoon feature of Major Alexander P. de Seversky's best seller 'Victory Thru Air Power' is the United Artists' Silver Jubilee release. The picture, filmed in Technicolour with the Major himself appearing in the live sequences, is at New Empire Theatre.

A deeply engrossing motion picture from Hollywood is "Flesh and Fantasy", co-produced by Charles Boyer and Julien Duvivier at Regal. The new Universal film is a radical departure in screen entertainment and has a cast of noted stars which include Robert Benchley, Betty Field, Robert Cummings, Edward G. Robinson, Charles Boyer and Barbara Stanwyck. Directed by Duvivier, 'Flesh and Fantasy" is photographed by Paul Ivano and Stanley Cortez A special music score is developed by Alexandre Tansman.

Current attraction at Strand is "Gentleman Jim" which stars Errol Flynn and Alexis Smith.

"Always In My Heart" is at Palace this week.

Bud Abbott and Lou Costello provide an avalanche of roaring laughter in "Fit The Ice" at Aurora.

"Gentleman Jim" featuring Errol Flynn and Alexis Smith will be shown at Paradise.

S. AFRICAN INDIANS' ANOMALOUS POSITION

"Cape Times" Plea For Mutual Confidence

(From Our Correspondent)

DURBAN, April 4.

The "Cape Times" in a leader on Senator Clarkson's speech in the Senate wrote: "There can be no doubt that Senator Sir Alfred Hennessy was right when he said that no responsible person was satisfied with the present status of the South African Indian. By even such a crude test as the principle of "no taxation without representation" the constitutional position of South African nationals of Indian descent is anomalous and unjust. Unfortunately, the matter goes further than one of constitutional rights and duties and is overshadowed by the land disputes in Natal and the Transvaal. As long as the European community fears and suspects the land-dealing activities of the Indians, and as long as there is the inevitable reaction of Indian resentment, progress towards resolving the wider questions must be barred. The task of statesmanship must be to achieve an amicable and dignified settlement of the land problem, and when full mutual confidence is restored the bigger questions can be tackled with every prospect of success.

What is important is that the "Pegging Bill" did not permanently formulate a state policy: It was an interim measure designed to "peg" a situation which, if allowed to deteriorate, would have added fuel to the flames of ill-will until any solution would have been impossble. Even more important is that there is no fundamental difference between the two sections, for the Indian spokesmen have no more than one occasion declared that Indians no more want to live among Europeans than Europeans welcome the idea of Indian penetration. In thesee circumstances, an amicable solution depends only on the creation of mutual goodwill and co-operation."

C. I. States Journalists' Conference

(From Our Correspondent)

INDORE, April 5.

Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Editor of the "Bombay Chronicle" and President of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference has accepted to inaugurate the first Central India States Journalists' Conference to be held at Indore on the 23rd and 24th inst.

Mr. Devdas Gandhi, Editor of the "Hindustan Times" and President of the Indian and Eastern Newspaper Society has been requested to preside over the Conference

Bombay Government Gazette

CIVIL APPOINTMENTS

Mr. E. W. Perry, C.I.E., I.C.S. to officiate as Secretary to the Governor General (Public), from 4th April, 1944.

Mr. V. N. Pradhan, on relief to the Dist. Dy. Collector, Surat, vice Mr. W. H. Whitfield, I.C.S.

Mr. V. H. Vohra to officiate as Dist. Dy Collector, Surat, vice Mr. M. K. Jadhav transferred.

Mr. Vishram Purshottam Sabnis, Asst. Secretary to Govt. Finance Dept. to officiate as Under-Secretary to Govt. Finance Dept., vice Mr. S. D. Nargolwala.

HURS KILL SIX PERSONS

In Jehangir Mills, a compromise has armed with guns is reported to have raided the village of Sanghar in Tharparkar District and shot dead six persons including a man named Jaindo Vasan, his wife and two sons. Jaindo was reported to have been assisting the police in detecting Hur crimes. The Hurs also carried away Jaindo's daughter.—A. P.

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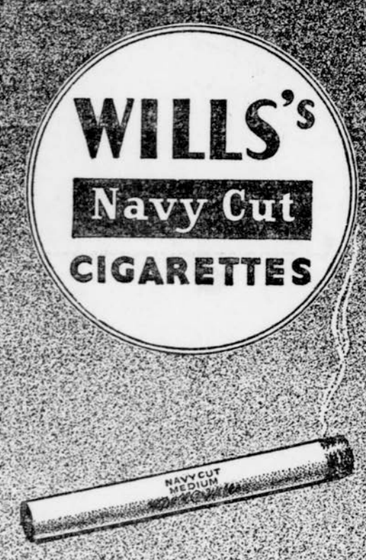

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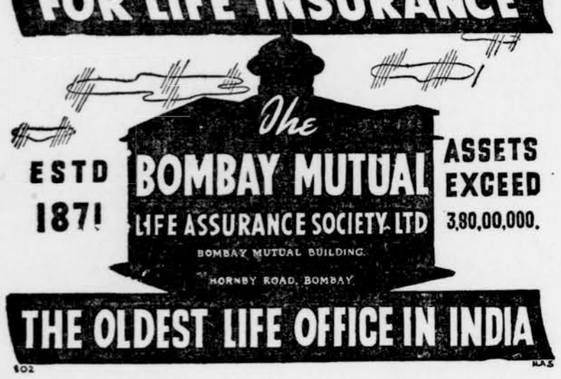

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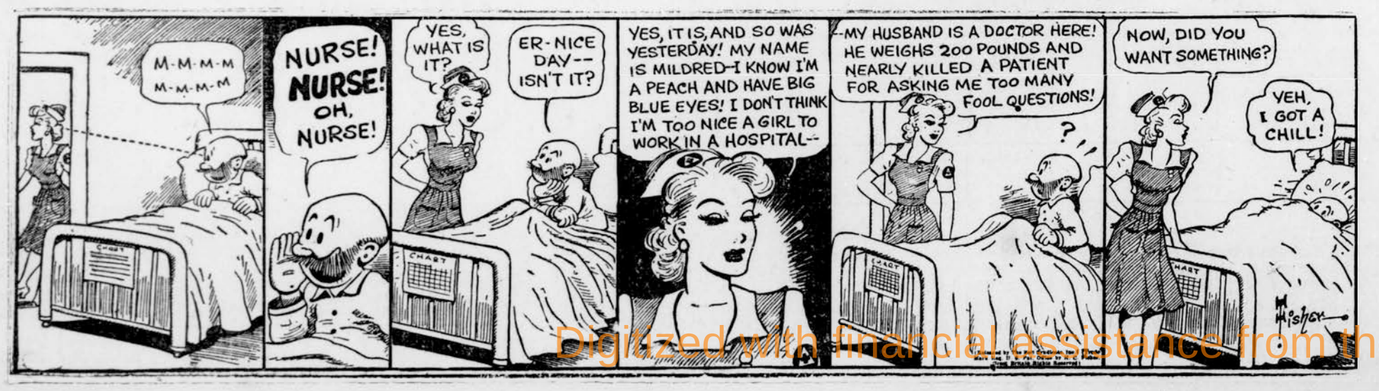
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NURSE! NURSE! OH, NURSE!
YES, WHAT IS IT?
ER-NICE DAY-- ISN'T IT?
YES, IT IS, AND SO WAS YESTERDAY! MY NAME IS MILDRED-I KNOW I'M A PEACH AND HAVE BIG BLUE EYES! I DON'T THINK I'M TOO NICE A GIRL TO WORK IN A HOSPITAL--
MY HUSBAND IS A DOCTOR HERE! HE WEIGHS 200 POUNDS AND NEARLY KILLED A PATIENT FOR ASKING ME TOO MANY FOOL QUESTIONS!
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YEH, I GOT A CHILL!
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20. MATRIMONIAL

A Saraswat Graduate, age 29 years, in Government service, invites correspondence from fairly educated Maharastrian or Gujarati ladies with a view to matrimony. Please write to Box No 4532, "Bombay Chronicle."

42. SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted a Secretary for the Indian Council of World Affairs on a salary of Rs. 500 to 800 p.m. according to qualifications. Should have intimate knowledge of politics and International Law and done some research work. Experience of journalism desirable. Apply (mentioning age, present post held, full particulars of research etc.) to Dr. P. S. Lokanathan, c/o. "The Eastern Economist', New Delhi, not later than 30th April. 8331

Wanted Steno-Typist for Government Office. Applicants should state qualifications, speed, previous experience and salary required. Apply to Box No. 8385, 'Bombay Chronicle.'

Wanted:—Experienced girls as Secretary and Publicity Officers for advertising concern. Apply immediately stating minimum salary. Box No. 4578, 'Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted for a firm of Auditors, Chartered, Incorporated, or Registered Accountants having sound practical knowledge and able to deal with audits independently. Pay according to experience. Apply Box No. 4520, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted an experienced General Manager, well versed in all the departments of a Cotton Spinning and Weaving Mill for a mill in Up-country. Pay according to qualifications and experience. Please apply with credentials stating nationality, caste, age and experience to Box No. 8284, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a competent Stenographer on Rs. 90/- p.m. (90-5-150) plus dearness allowance at present admissible and Stenographer's allowance of at least Rs. 20/-. Apply sharp to Special Officer, War Risks Insurance, Haroon House, Bazargate Street, Bombay. 8330

69. FLATS WANTED.

Wanted Immediately an airy Flat containing 2 or more rooms block system in a good locality. Ask for Ramchand. Phone No. 25272. 4556

ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Wanted Building, suitable for Factory in Bombay or Suburbs, comprising big shed, store, rooms, etc., preferably with electric motor connection. Apply Box No. 4531, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted by leading Insurance Company Office accommodation 4 000 sq. feet in Fort area as from 16th April, 1944. Reply Box No. 4557, 'Bombay Chronicle."

MOTOR CAR FOR SALE

For Sale, Touring Fiat, 7½ H.P., 1934 M. and Motor-Cycle B.S.A. 3½ H.P. 1936 M. Tele. 30404. 4571

BOOKS & MAGAZINES

Earn Rs. Six Daily. Buy Easy Cotton Calculation Book at Rs. 4. Fulgaliwalla, Ahmed Bldg., Golpitha, Bombay. 4560

322. MACHINERY FOR SALE

For Sale:—Spinning Machinery from Blow Room to Ring in good working condition, Weaving Machinery, Shafting of various sizes Pulleys and other Miscellaneous machines and articles including slightly incomplete Sterling Boilers Apply:—Bharat Stores Ltd. (Tel. No. 33113) Round Building Princess Street, Bombay. (4518)

303. MACHINERY WANTED

Wanted.—One Lancashire Boiler 30' x 7' of about 160 lbs. working pressure with Feed Pump, and one Vertical Boiler about 8'x4' about 100 lbs pressure. Apply with recent certificates stating minimum prices Bharat Stores Ltd. (Tel. No. 33113), Round Building, Princess Street, Bombay. (4519)

Wanted (1) a Rotary Press (Second hand or new), (2) a Cotton waste carding machine (Second hand or new), (3) A Carding machine with or without a set of spindles (Second hand or new) for a Woollen Factory. Please write with details and expected price to Post Box No. 356, Lahore. (8333)

327 AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Agents to sell Shudh Khadi Coatings, Shirtings and Printings, etc on pay or commission basis. For full particulars apply to Shudh Khadar Karyala, Nakodar (N.W.R.) 4573

632. MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Wanted to sell 3½% U. P. Encumbered Estate Act. Bonds. Purchasers to negotiate with Mr. Mangilal, M. Sc., LL.B., Advocate, Jadunath Sanyal Road, Lucknow. 4572

PUBLIC NOTICES.

NOTICE

REQUIRED—ENGINEERING ASSISTANTS for technical work. Candidates must possess good engineering degree of recognised University, or equivalent educational qualification. They must also have had at least two years' experience, preferably on production work in large engineering workshops. Drawing office experience will be considered an additional qualification. Salaries from Rs. 150 to Rs. 250 according to qualifications and experience. Apply before 20th April, 1944 giving full particulars of above requirements, and of present employment and salary, to Chief Mechanical Engineer, Industries Department, U. P., Government Central Workshop, Cawnpore. 8376

PUBLIC NOTICES.

GOVERNMENT Announcements, Legal and Public Notifications are published in these columns at the rate of Rs. 12-0-0 per inch

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the undermentioned temporary posts, which may last for the duration of the War:—

1. SENIOR CLERKS in the scale of Rs. 80-5-150-10-200.

Candidates for these posts should be Graduates (preferably in Commerce) and should have at least three years' experience of clerical work in a Government office and/or a well-organised commercial firm.

2. ROUTINE CLERKS AND TYPISTS on an initial pay of Rs. 50/- per mensem which will be raised to Rs. 60/- per mensem in the scale of Rs. 60-2-80 on completion of one year's satisfactory Service. The initial pay of persons who have at least one year's experience in Government offices and/or in the OFFICE of well-organised commercial firms may be fixed at Rs. 60/- in the scale.

Candidates should be at least Matriculates but those who are Graduates of a recognised University will be preferred. Applicants for the posts of TYPISTS should be able to type accurately at a minimum speed of 40 words per minute.

3. STENOGRAPHERS in the scale of Rs. 90-5-150.

Applicants should be at least Matriculates and should possess a minimum speed of 100 words per minute in shorthand and 40 words in typing.

Applicants must produce original certificates if called for interview.

Preference will be given to suitable Muslim candidates and to the members of Scheduled Castes.

The applications stating qualifications, experience, age and subcaste, etc., should reach the DY. DIRECTOR (ADMINISTRATION), OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF MUNITIONS PRODUCTION, Phoenix Building, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay. Personal interviews will not be granted and canvassing will be a disqualification. 8373

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY
(PURCHASE BRANCH)
Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, New Delhi.

NOTICE

AS CONTRACTORS are aware the Pamphlet entitled "Conditions of Contract governing Department of Supply Contracts—March 1942 Edition" is on sale at 2 annas per copy at the various Book Depots as mentioned in para. 3 below. Corrections to this Pamphlet are at present attached to each Invitation to Tender, but this procedure will be stopped from 1st May, 1944, as it is causing waste of paper. Instead, corrections in the form of lists will be placed on sale at anna one per list at the Book Depots where the Pamphlet is being sold. It is expected that the first list of corrections will be available for sale at the Book Depots from about 1st April, 1944.

2. The Invitations to Tender issued from 1st May, 1944, will refer, as at present, to the form or forms in the Pamphlet which is/are applicable, the correction lists and also the special conditions attached thereto and the resulting contracts will be subject to the conditions contained in the aforesaid documents. Firms are, therefore, advised to procure copies of the first list of corrections as early as possible after 1st April, 1944. The first list to be issued will be styled "List No. 1" and will contain Correction Slips Nos. 1 to 23.

3. The Pamphlet and the Correction Lists thereto can be obtained from the Manager of Publications, Government of India, Central Publication Branch, Civil Lines, Delhi; Manager, Government Printing and Stationery, Peshawar; Superintendent, Government Printing, Lahore; Manager Sind Government Book Depot and Record Office, Karachi; Superintendent, Printing and Stationery, Allahabad; Superintendent, Government Printing, Nagpur; Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, Bombay; Superintendent, Government Press, Madras; Government of India Book Depot, 8, Hastings Street, Calcutta and Superintendent Government Printing, Gulzarbagh, Patna. (8345)

BOMBAY-SIND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION invite applications by 6-5-1944 for the post of **SENIOR MARKETING OFFICER FOR COTTAGE INDUSTRIES PRODUCTS. PAY.**—Rs. 500-750. Higher starting pay may be given to a suitable candidate. **AGE.**—Not more than 40 years on 1-8-1944. **QUALIFICATIONS.**—A degree in Arts, Commerce or Science of a recognised university, **AND** practical business experience of not less than 5 years of which at least 2 preceding ones must be in a position of responsibility in the export trade of cotton textiles. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas postage stamps and **UNCROSSED** Indian Postal Order for Re. 1/- payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission", Bombay, who will also supply full details on request. 8375

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES, BOMBAY.

Invites Tender No. BSY/FLIP/2051 on form obtainable for Rs. 5/- per set (not refundable or transferable) paid in cash or by Money Order (quoting Tender No. and full name and address of the remitter) before 4 P.M. on 17-4-44 for the sale of the following stores:

ITEM NO.	STORE	QUANTITY
1.	British Oil Paints (Hubbucks).	97 Kegs 2,202 lbs.
2.	Spare Feeder or skirt plates for ore handling plant.	96 Nos.
3.	Sodium Carbonate.	1 000 lbs. (gross weight).
4.	Woollen Suiting, cotton netting and art silk dress material.	3 Cases.
5.	Woollen Rugs.	3 Cases (110 Nos.)
6.	Kraft Paper Wrapping (Printed).	10 Bales. (2,376 lbs.)
7.	Artificial leather strips of different sizes and colours.	1 Case (80 bundles).
8.	Radio Receiving Set.	1 No.
9.	Bismuth Carbonate; Bismuth Subnitrate.	219 lbs.
10.	Chewing Gum in boxes.	38 Cases.
11	Pickles.	17 Cartons.
12.	Essences.	6 Cases.
13.	Surgical Bandages.	1 Case.
14.	Electric Motors.	2 Cases.
15.	Honey, Provisions, etc.	31 Packages.
16.	Canned Provision.	218 Packages.
17.	Tape (235 gross yards).	1 Case.
18.	Railroad Clips.	5 Bags.
19.	Essences; Essential Oils; Food colours etc.	10 Cases; 3 Part Cases.
20.	Provisions.	5 Cases.
21.	Knitting Wool.	1 Bale.
22.	Woollen & Cotton piecegoods, etc	2 Cases.
23.	Dry Batteries, Metal Ware; Hand Shovels.	42 Cases; 8 Cases; 2 Cases.
24.	12" Electric Wall Clocks.	1 Case.
25.	General Merchandise, Provisions, etc.	41 Packages.
26.	Canned Vegetable; Baked Beans; Vinegar.	4 Cartons; 2 Cartons; 8 Casks
27.	Calcium Carbonate .	27 Cases.
28.	Provisions: Condiments.	12 Packages.
29.	Dry Batteries.	2 Cases
30	Cotton Thread.	1 Carton.
31.	Pure Tin Pipe, Squares labels, etc.	15 Cases.
32.	Adhesive Plaster; Brushes; Clinical Thermometers.	1 Carton; 1 Carton; 2 Cases.

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NOTICE

Our clients TYABJI ESTATES LIMITED invite offers for the produce (including grass, mangoes, and palm tree leaves) of their lands at Jogeshwari, Majas Taluka South Salsette, Bombay Suburban District admeasuring 75 acres and 19-3/4 gunthas for the year 1st June, 1944 to 31st May, 1945.

Offers may be sent to and further particulars may be obtained at our office at Central Bank Building, Mahatma Gandhi Road. Our clients do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any offer. Offers must reach before 30th April, 1944.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1944.

S. F. B. TYABJI & CO.,
Attorneys for Tyabji Estates Ltd.

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SECRETARY, PUNJAB & N.W.F.P. JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, LAHORE

ANNOUNCES in connection with the advertisement for 50 TEMPORARY ENGINEERS in the Punjab P. W. D. Irrigation Branch that if suitably qualified candidates are available 50% of the vacancies will go to Muslims. Last date for receipt of applications in case of Muslims extended to 15-4-44. 8371

CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES, BOMBAY.

INVITES APPLICATIONS before 15-4-44 for post of Godown Supervisor. Pay Rs. 275-20-375. Previous experience in godown keeping and supervision of godowns of big commercial or shipping firms essential. Those in service must apply through employers. 8386

NOTICE
THE SAHYADRI INSURANCE CO., LTD., NASIK

POLICY-HOLDERS of the above Company are notified that the following five persons have been elected uncontested, as Policy-Holders' Directors.

(1) T. G. Pradhan, Esqr. B.A. LL.B.
(2) V. G. Advant, Esqr., B.A. LL.B. Pleader, Ahmednagar.
(3) N. S. Godbole, Esqr., Poona.
(4) K. B. Joshi, Esqr., M.A. LL.B., Solicitor, Bombay.
(5) Seth Shamji Karamsi Nagda, Cotton Merchant, Bombay.

The Meeting called on 3-6-44 at 4-00 P. M. in accordance with the notice dated 26-2-44 is therefore cancelled as far as election of the Policy-Holders' Directors is concerned but will be held at the Company's Head Office on the above date and time for recommending Auditors.

G. G. SOUNDANKAR,
Managing Director.
Nasik, Dated 4-4-44. 8383

PUBLIC NOTICES.

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of Drummond Professorship of Political Economy in the University of Oxford, Oxford.

Candidates are requested to send in their names with eight copies of any statement that they wish to make in support of their candidature but without testimonials so as to reach the Registrar of the Oxford University, Mr. Douglas Vesle, not later than Saturday, the 13th May, 1944. APPLICATIONS BY CABLE WILL ALSO BE CONSIDERED. The duties of the Professor include original work by the Professor himself and general supervision of research and advanced work in his subject and department. The stipend of the Professorship will be £1,200 a year. Subject to the provisions of the statute governing the post, a non-stipendiary Professional Fellowship at All Souls College is attached to the Professorship. The candidate is permitted to hold any other appointment which is not inconsistent with the proper performance of his duties as Professor. (8382)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ABDUL HUSEIN ALIBHAI has contracted to sell to one of our clients the undermentioned property. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said property by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lieu or otherwise howsoever, is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of leasehold land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Belevedere Road, Mazagaon, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay containing by admeasurement 980 square yards or thereabouts and Registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 19 and 19, New Nos. 16245 and 16246, Old Survey No. 565, New Survey No. 3597 and Cadastral Survey No. 134 of Mazagaon Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under E Ward Nos. 5649 (2), 5640 (3) and Street Nos. 5A E and 5 B and New Street Nos. 7 and 7 A and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of the Bombay Municipality, on or towards the West by Belevedere Road, on or towards the North by the property of Pirojshah Dadabhoy Chinoy or Mistry and others and on or towards the South by the property of Dr. Kaikhusroo Rustomji Dalal.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1944.

MATUBHAI JAMIATRAM & MADAN,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 8377

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HARILAL JETHABHAI, of Ghatkopar Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property.

All persons having any claim, interest, or demand whatsoever against in or upon the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, gift, inheritance, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, trust, easement maintenance, share possession, co-parcenery rights or otherwise however in the said property or any part thereof are hereby required to give notice thereof in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 65, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, failing which the said sale will be completed without reference to any such claim interest or demand howsoever and the same, if any, shall be deemed and treated as having been waived or abandoned.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

FIRSTLY:—All that piece or parcel of leasehold land, comprised in the Indenture of Lease, dated the 28th day of July, 1902, and made between Camaji Bomanji Cama and another of the one part and Jehangir Nusserwanji Lam of the other part, containing by admeasurement 883 Square Yards or thereabouts and forming part of a larger piece of land bearing Survey No. 73 and Pot No. 1 which larger piece of land is known or called by the name of Diana Park Estate, situate in the village of Kirol, Taluka South Salsette, Bombay Suburban District, in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra, together with the buildings messuages and tenements standing thereon and bearing entry No 949 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of Rattansey Cooverji being Plot No. D and comprised secondly hereunder written, on or towards the North by private passage, on or towards the West by the Tansa Pipe line and on or towards the South by the G.I.P. Railway lines and bearing Municipal Number C. Ward No. 6.

SECONDLY:—All that piece or parcel of land or ground together with the Bungalow messuages, tenements and other outhouses standing thereon situate in the village of Kirol Taluka, South Salsette, Bombay Suburban District, in the Registration Sub District of Bandra, being a portion of Survey No. 73 and Pot No. 1 and entry No. 951-952, part No. 5 and 6 and which piece of land is known as Plot No. D of a larger piece of land known as Diana Park Estate and contains by admeasurement one thousand four hundred and forty-nine square yards or thereabouts together with a well and trees and shrubs plants and flower pots standing thereon and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the Kutcha passage the property of Camaji Bomanji Cama and Dhunjibhoy Bomanji Cama, on or towards the West by the Plot No. E of the said Diana Park Estate the property of Devji Anandji and comprised firstly hereinabove written on or towards the North by the Kutcha Road and on or towards the South by the G.I.P. Railway lines and bearing Municipal Nos C Ward Nos. 3 to 5 and 4A.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1944.

MOHILE & PAREKH
Purchaser's Attorneys
(8379)

PUBLIC NOTICES.

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for a temporary post of a STENOGRAPHER in the Rural Broadcasts Section on a salary of Rs. 90 p.m. in the scale 90-5-150 plus the usual Dearness allowance admissible under the rules. Candidates should have passed at least the Matriculation or its equivalent examination. They should possess a speed of at least 120 words per minute in Shorthand and 45 words per minute in Typewriting. Preference will be given to candidates with previous experience. Applications should reach the Director, All-India Radio, Government of India Offices, Queen's Road, Bombay on or before the 15th April, 1944. 8384

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Public that HARILAL JETHABHAI, of Ghatkopar Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property.

All persons having any claim, interest, or demand whatsoever against in or upon the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, gift, inheritance, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, trust, easement maintenance, share possession, co-parcenery rights or otherwise however in the said property or any part thereof are hereby required to give notice thereof in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 65, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, failing which the said sale will be completed without reference to any such claim interest or demand howsoever and the same, if any, shall be deemed and treated as having been waived or abandoned.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

FIRSTLY:—All that piece or parcel of leasehold land, comprised in the Indenture of Lease, dated the 28th day of July, 1902, and made between Camaji Bomanji Cama and another of the one part and Jehangir Nusserwanji Lam of the other part, containing by admeasurement 883 Square Yards or thereabouts and forming part of a larger piece of land bearing Survey No. 73 and Pot No. 1 which larger piece of land is known or called by the name of Diana Park Estate, situate in the village of Kirol, Taluka South Salsette, Bombay Suburban District, in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra, together with the buildings messuages and tenements standing thereon and bearing entry No 949 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of Rattansey Cooverji being Plot No. D and comprised secondly hereunder written, on or towards the North by private passage, on or towards the West by the Tansa Pipe line and on or towards the South by the G.I.P. Railway lines and bearing Municipal Number C. Ward No. 6.

SECONDLY:—All that piece or parcel of land or ground together with the Bungalow messuages, tenements and other outhouses standing thereon situate in the village of Kirol Taluka, South Salsette, Bombay Suburban District, in the Registration Sub District of Bandra, being a portion of Survey No. 73 and Pot No. 1 and entry No. 951-952, part No. 5 and 6 and which piece of land is known as Plot No. D of a larger piece of land known as Diana Park Estate and contains by admeasurement one thousand four hundred and forty-nine square yards or thereabouts together with a well and trees and shrubs plants and flower pots standing thereon and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the Kutcha passage the property of Camaji Bomanji Cama and Dhunjibhoy Bomanji Cama, on or towards the West by the Plot No. E of the said Diana Park Estate the property of Devji Anandji and comprised firstly hereinabove written on or towards the North by the Kutcha Road and on or towards the South by the G.I.P. Railway lines and bearing Municipal Nos C Ward Nos. 3 to 5 and 4A.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1944.

MOHILE & PAREKH
Purchaser's Attorneys
(8379)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SHETH JIVANDAS BHOJRAJ, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

All persons having any interest or claim of whatsoever kind or nature in or to the said property are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Hamam House, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim or interests and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO:

FIRSTLY:—All that parcel of Pension and Tax land or ground forming portion of land bearing Collector's New No. F/1451, New Survey No. 7/7288 and Cadastral Survey No. 290 of Malabar and Cumballa Hill Division with buildings standing thereon, situate at on the Westside of Walkeshwar Road, admeasuring about seven hundred fifty-one square yards, bearing Municipal D Ward No. 2491 (3) present Street No. 94 and bounded, on the East by Walkeshwar Road, on the West by the property of the Government, on the North by the property of The Central Bank of India Ltd., and on the South by the property hereinafter secondly described

SECONDLY:—All that parcel of Pension and Tax land or ground forming portion of land bearing Collector's New No. F/1451, New Survey No. 7/7288 and Cadastral Survey No. 289 of Malabar and Cumballa Hill Division with the messuages, tenements or buildings standing thereon situate at on the West side of Walkeshwar Road in the Island and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, admeasuring about one thousand one hundred and fifty square yards and bearing Municipal D. Ward Nos. 2491 (5), 2491 (6) and 2491 (7) present Street Nos. 96, 96B and 96A and bounded on the East by Walkeshwar Road, on the West by the property of the Government, on the North by the property hereinbefore firstly described and on the South by the property of Muljj Ranchhoddas.

Dated this 5th day of April, 1944.

AMIN DESAI & NANAVATI,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
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AUCTION SALES.

SALE ON SATURDAY THE 8TH APRIL, 1944, AT 4-30 P.M.

On the premises of the property of a valuable immovable property at Old Agra Road, Kurla near Jamat Khana of Sunni Mohomedans under instructions from Bai Pirojbai D. Mistry in her own right and Bai Pirojbai D. Mistry and A. F. Soonawalla, Esq., executrix and executor of the will of Dinshawji Jamasji Mistry: Land admeasuring about 565.8/9 sq. yds. by a portion of non-agricultural land bearing Survey No. 135 and Records of Rights Entry No. 2705 with a two storied chawl situate at Kurla bearing Kurla Municipality No. 245A and now under new Mill Ward No. 447

Further particulars and conditions of sale may be obtained from Messrs. Smetham, Byrne and Lambert, Jehangir Wadia Building, 51, Esplanade Road or from the undersigned.

SORABJEE CAWASJEE & CO.
123, Medows St., Bombay.

MENESSE & Co., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 11th instant at 2-30 p.m., Sewree Cotton Depot, near Gill & Co.'s Godown No. E 67 by order of the parties concerned 147 Bales Tatipur 124F Sawjin (Punjab) and 44 Bales Sadikabad 4F Sawjin (Punjab) Cotton damaged.

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Your personal health problems solved by qualified persons without any cost or obligation. Write just now to: Private Consultation Department, A-20, P.O. Box 169. Fort, Bombay.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES AND CIVIL SUPPLIES.
NOTIFICATION

Bombay, the 28th March, 1944.

No. 1/2 (18)/44-CG (CS).—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-Section (2) of Section 1 of the Hoarding and Profiteering Prevention Ordinance, 1943 (XXXV of 1943), the Central Government is hereby pleased with effect from 5th April, 1944, to prescribe the forms of cash memorandum as in the Schedule below, provided that old unused forms may be used so long as the information prescribed in the forms is also given in the cash memoranda that may be issued.

SCHEDULE

FORM A.

(For use by Retailer or in retail transactions)

CASH — MEMO

Dated.....

Name and full address of dealer. .....

Name and full address of purchaser. .....

Serial No.	Description of goods, including dimensions and size and quality No. or trade mark.	Identical item No. in Govt. schedule if price controlled under section 3 of the Ordinance.	Quantity sold	Rate	Per	Total price for each item.

Total:
(Salesman's signature in full)

FORM B

(For use by Importers or Wholesalers while supplying goods to a dealer.)

CASH — MEMO

Dated.....

Name of Importer or Wholesaler and address: .....

Name of dealer with full address: .....

Serial No.	Description of goods including dimensions or size and quality or trade mark.	Landed Cost.	Rate	Per	Quantity sold	Rate	Per	Total price for each item.

Total:
(Salesman's signature in full.)

NOTE: The seller shall keep a copy of any invoice furnished by him for a period of 12 months after the date of the despatch thereof by him Similarly the dealer shall keep the original invoice for a period of 12 months from the date of the cash memorandum.

2. Where the seller or purchaser is a broker, the other party to the transaction shall verify the name and address of the broker and make sure that he is a bonafide dealer.

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